
ELIZABETHA REGINA

Supplications OF SAINTS.

A Book of

Prayers and Praiſes,

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By *THO. SOROCOLD.*

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TO
PRINCE *CHARLES*
His most Excellent Highness.

Most Gracious Prince,

IT is now a Year almost since I presumed to present unto your Highness this small Book, my poor *Mite* of *Devotion*, which your Sister, that most virtuous Princess Palatine of the *Rhine*, challenged for her own, long before the Translation of her into that Climate; Hereupon finding your gracious Entertainment of it, and being minded further to satisfie the desires of God's People, whom I have found for Devotions-sake to take it all in good part; I have lately revived this weak *Building*; and besides some Reformations, I have inferred Additions of six small Prayers which I thought to be necessary for all good Christians, and knew to be desired by divers. When it is at the best, it is no Present worthy so Noble a Prince; yet because many labours (though meanly qualified) have gained unexpected

credit after they had once obtained Honourable Patrons; I do now again offer it unto your Royal hands, in all Humility, deſiring the continuance of your gracious Favour towards it, and then it ſhall continue as well to praiſe God for all your happy Deliverances, as to pray unto him earneſtly for the multiplying of his Graces upon you, to the rejoycing of His Majeſty our Soveraign, and his well-beloved *Queen*, your Royal Parents, beſides the good of the Realm and Dominions; evermore crying out with the ſweet Singer of *Iſrael*, *Give the King thy Judgments, O God! and thy Righteouſneſs unto the King's ſon.* Amen and Amen.

From the Rectory of St. Mildred *in the* Poultry, Lond. Feb. 1617.

Your Graces, in all ſubmiſſion,

Tho. Sorocold.

A Preface to all Devout People;

Shewing,

1. *The Neceſſity of Supplications and Prayer.*
2. *Why this Book is entituled,* Supplications of Saints.

PAUL the bleſſed Apoſtle and Saint of God, was ſo well acquainted with the Practiſes and Devices of Satan, as appears in 2 *Cor.* 2. 2. that he taketh great care (by writing and otherwiſe) leſt that common Enemy ſhould get any advantage of them: And this may be a juſt cauſe, why amongſt other Precepts he chargeth the *Coloſſians,* in *Chap.* 4. *ver.* 2. *That they continue in Prayer, and watch in the ſame with thankſgiving.* That is, not to wax faint nor ſlack therein. For ſuch as have learned of the Lord Jeſus (ſaith St. *Auguſtine*) true humility and meekneſs of Heart, *Receive more profit by Meditation and Prayer, than in Reading and Hearing*; whereby ye may be ſure the Religious Father meant not to traduce either the Preaching of the Word, or the reading of any thing that may make a Man wiſe unto Salvation, but enforc'd a more reverend reſpect, and more frequent uſe of this godly Exerciſe: That as men are commanded to be *doers of the Word,* ſo they ſhould be *ſeekers of Grace* to do it by, and not *hearers* only, *For ſo* (ſaith the

Apoſtle) *they ſhould deceive themſelves.* For when *Paul* had planted, and *Apollos* watered; when one hath read a learned Treatiſe, and another hath heard a fruitful Sermon, they muſt refer the reſt to him that giveth the encreaſe; and to whom will he give it? To him that ſeeketh, unto him that knocketh, to him that asketh humbly and devoutly in his Prayer: Follow then his Counſel, which ſaith Put up your Prayers to him, that he may ſend down his Grace to you. Again, Beloved, all is not Peace, if we conſider of what Church we are while we be in this World. St. *Paul* tells us, that we are in a *warfare*, and that *Prayer* is a principal piece of our *armour*; therefore his counſel is, *pray always, and watch thereunto.* For we cannot (as *Abiſhai* ſaid to *David*, concerning his blow) make ſo ſure a work at one *prayer-time*, that we ſhould not need to come again with our ſecond; but rather ſo many are our ſins, as the hairs of our Head; ſo many our Enemies, as the Stars in the Sky; and ſo fierce and ſtrong the Tempter, as a roaring Lion: That as the Man of God was angry with the King of *Iſrael* (becauſe when he bad him ſmite the Earth with his Dart, he ſmote only thrice) who ſhould have ſmitten five or ſix times, that he might have been aſſured of the overthrow of his Enemies. So God, that bids us continue in Prayer, will be angry with us, if we pray not again and again, as the

the importunate Widow in the Goſpel proſecuted her ſuit: Yea, (to ſpeak of Devotion as he doth of Brotherly Remiſſion) if we pray not ſeven times, yea, *ſeventy times ſeven times*, that we may obtain a Bleſſing. To this purpoſe, Chriſtian Brethren, I have been perſwaded to publiſh to your view and charitable interpretation, this handful of Flowers, picked, ſorted, and tied up in a bundle, according to my ſlender ability, both of judgment and invention. I have preſumed alſo to entitle them *Supplications* of *Saints*, induced thereunto by three reaſons, Firſt, becauſe they are ſquared to the practice of three Holy Prophets, and the bleſſed Apoſtle St. *Paul*. Secondly, three of theſe Prayers (which are indeed *Preſtantiores*, far more eminent and excellent than all the reſt, proceeding from human conceit) and were penn'd and uſed by the late noble Queen *Elizabeth*, of famous and happy Memory, and may juſtly claim the denomination as the remains of her Devotion, who living a Religious and Peerleſs Princeſs, was accounted (as the *Wiſe man* ſpeaks) among the *Children of God, Saints by calling*. And now being taken from us, hath her *portion amongſt the Saints in Heaven*. The Third reaſon is, becauſe I hope they may be ſometimes the exerciſe of your ſelves, who being called to the participation of Jeſus Chriſt, embracing the Goſpel of God, and having received the Sacrament of Life, have alſo

your parts in the Communion of Saints. I have not held such a course as happily other Collectors of the like devotions have done, and yet I hope you will not condemn me, but upon good deliberation. I confess they are not mingled with discourse, for God desireth not to take admonition or information from our reports. Neither are they interlarded with Meditation: For the places of Scripture which I have prefixed before every one, they will minister matter of that Devotion: Neither have I made any of them very long, to draw them into a thousand periods (as *Chrysostom* saith) as if it were a *goodly* work to multiply much speech before God, but I have made them somewhat brief, aiming at the Rule which our Lord and Saviour prescribed, saying, *After this manner pray ye*; That is (saith *Chrysostom* again) *He appointed the Disciples to gather the petition of their Prayers into a short sum.* Wherefore if ye find them worthy the name of Prayers, so use them; if otherwise, yet take them as mean (I do not say main) grounds and poor helps, to do service here and there; in your deeper Meditations, when your Devotion arises to do the daily Sacrifice, with this liberty; but where I have been defective, I refer it to the Judicious to supply; and where I have offered any thing vain or offensive, I am content to admit a Godly Corrector. I speak to them that have understanding, judge

judge you what I ſay: And I ſhall pray unto the holy One of *Iſrael* in Heaven, that your Inſpiration may be Heavenly, your Deſires Holy, and your Prayers here Fervent and Frequent; and there acceptable before the Throne of his Majeſty, for the relief of your neceſſities, and for the ſetting forth of his Glory in Jeſus Chriſt, *Amen.*

Yours in the Lord,

T. S.

THE moſt abſolute Prayer, and beſt Rule of all Holy Petitions, is that which our Lord and Saviour taught his Diſciples; a Prayer large for Matter, ſhort for Phraſe, and ſweet for Order; which having paraphraſed (*thus as you ſee*) I thought it not ſo good to inſert it into this bundle, as to place it here alone before them all, as a *Supplication* not appropriate to any one part, but appertaining or giving life to all, and fit to conclude every one.

Exod. 5. 14.

Yeſterday, and to day, as heretofore.

A PARAPHRASE *upon the* LORD'S PRAYER.

OUR FATHER, { By right of Creation, Merit of Mercy, Gracious Provision.

Which art in Heaven, { The Seat of thy Majesty, The Inheritance of thy Children. The Kingdom of Bliss.

Hallowed be thy Name. { By the thought of our hearts, By the words of our mouth, By the works of our hands.

Thy Kingdom come. { Of Grace, to inspire us; Of Power, to defend us; Of Glory, to crown us.

Thy Will be done, { In weal and woe, In fulness and want, In life and death.

In Earth as it is in Heaven. { In us as it is in thine Angels, willingly, readily, faithfully, without murmur, lett, deceit.

Give us this day our daily Bread. { For the nourishing of our Bodies, For the feeding of our Souls The relief of all necessities.

And

And forgive us our debts.	Wherebythou art diſhonour'd, Our Neighbour wrong'd, or Our ſelves endangered.
As we forgive our debtors.	That have hurt us in our bodys, Hindred us in our goods, wrong'd us in our good name.
And lead us not into temptation.	Of the wicked World, The enticing fleſh, or The envious Devil.
But deliver us from Evil.	Forgive what is paſt, Remove what is preſent, Prevent what is to come.
For thine is the	Kingdom, To rule and govern all. Power, & To command & do all. Glory. In all, & by all, all in all.
Now and for ever,	At this preſent, In this World, In the World to come.
AMEM.	As thou ſayeſt, ſo it is. As thou promiſeſt, ſo it ſhall be. As we pray, ſo be it, Lord.

PRAY-

PRAYERS

Beginning with the LETTERS of the NAME *ELIZABETH.*

E.

EVery Day, O Almighty God, and Heavenly Father, will I pray unto thee to have mercy upon me, and to keep me in thy Grace, Favour and Love. Every day will I give thanks unto thee for thy gracious Redemption of my Body and Soul from Sin, Death, and Hell.

Every day will I laud thy holy Name, O Holy Ghost, God's Spirit, Hearts Joy, Elects Comforter, beseeching thee Blessed Trinity, in sacred Unity to replenish my Heart with all charitable Desires, and Heavenly Inspirations, necessary to Salvation, Amen.

L.

LAY to thy helping hand, O Lord, strengthen the weak Condition of my Faith, and pour thine Oyl of Grace into my wounded Heart, that I may be able to walk in the ways of thy Commandments without reproof, and receive com-

comforts at all Needs and Neceſſities. Amen.

I

IT is Pity and Compaſſion, O Lord, alone which muſt cover mine unworthineſs, therefore renouncing all merit in my ſelf, I fly unto thee for Succour; Leave me not, O Lord, but preſerve me with thy goodneſs now and evermore. Amen.

Z

ZEalous (O Lord) I am of thy Truth; wherefore I pray thee ſanctifie my Heart to a right Converſation in this World, Direct me by thy Laws, that I never ſtep beyond the Limits of my Duty; and ſuffer me not to enter into any action which either may diſhonour thee, or bring my Life into Infamy. Amen.

A

ADmit me (O merciful Lord) to thy gracious Favour: Many are the Dangers of this Life; and I have no Patron to defend me but thee. Heaven is thine, and the Earth is thine; keep me on Earth as one of thine, and bring me to Heaven to reign with thee. Amen.

B

BLeſſed Lord, I have ſinned, but my Pardon is with thee. If I were as ſinful

ful as Mary Magdalen, *as outragious as the prodigal Son, and as baſhful to come near as the* Publican, *yet Jeſus hath made ſatisfaction for my ſins, therefore in mercy forgive me now and evermore,* Amen.

E

ENter not into Judgment with a poor Creature (O Lord) duſt and aſhes is my ſtate here; only I am created after thine Image, for a better World: Deſtroy not then the work of thine own hands, but ſhew thy Mercy and Goodneſs unto me this day and evermore, Amen.

T

THink upon me, O Lord, thy Word never faileth, and thy Compaſſions have no end, by the vertue of the one, and the ſubſtance of the other, purifie me from all Iniquity, and lead me into all Truth, this day and evermore, Amen.

H

HAve mercy upon me, O Lord, accept my Prayers which I pour out before thee, and grant my requeſts. Mercifully proſper the things that I take in hand; ſave me from mine Enemies; a bleſſed Life and happy End, good Lord, ſend me, Amen.

SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The First Part.

DANIEL's Devotion.

Dan. 6. 10.

He kneeled upon his knees three times a day and prayed, and gave thanks before his God.

Aug. in Psal.

In the Evening of things past, in the Morning of things to come; at Noon of Eternal.

This Part containeth private *Prayers* for Morning, Noon, and Evening, every day in the week.

Also four other Prayers, for Morning and Evening only.

Also two Prayers, or Meditations upon the Passion of our Blessed Saviour.

SUNDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 145. 10. *All my works praiſe thee, O Lord, and thy Saints ſhall bleſs thee.*
Pſal. 119. 170. *O let my Supplications come before thee; deliver me according to thy Word.*

O Lord God Almighty, and everliving Father, and thou well-beloved Son of the Father, Jeſus Chriſt, with the Holy Ghoſt, Holy, Bleſſed, and Glorious Trinity, Eternal God, Lord of the Sabbath, and Fountain of all Wiſdom, I do not preſent theſe my Supplications beforethee upon my own Righteouſneſs, but in thy great mercies. I truſt in them truly, I truſt in them only, without any other Plea, I truſt in them always without wearineſs: and therefore, I beſeech thee grant me merciful audiences. Mercifully hear me (O Lord) mercifully hear me, O Lord God. Firſt I extol thy infinite Goodneſs and Mercy, together with thine Eternal Wiſdom and Truth, that thou haſt protected me all this night paſt, and made me to reſt and ſleep ſo quietly and ſecurely under the ſhadow of thy Wings. And I beſeech thee (from the bottom of my heart) to protect me this day with thy mighty Hands from all dangers both of body and ſoul.

Give thy holy Angels charge over me, to keep me in all my ways; drive away the evil Angel, and deadly Enemy; and remove

move from me all offences of this World.

Mortifie and kill in me all carnal lusts, unlawful pleasures, and evil affections, that they may have no dominion over me, or reign in my mortal body; and give me a contrite Heart to bewail my former life; and let me find comfort in thy mercy, for the remission of my sins.

Sanctifie me (O Holy Trinity) this holy day, with thine especial Grace, that I may honour thee as a Creator, love thee as a Redeemer, and expect thee as a Saviour; and that I may have modest carriage in my behaviour, true devotion in my Prayers, and reverend attention to hear thy Holy Word, and so unlock the *ears* of mine understanding, that I may observe, learn, and embrace such things as are necessary for me, to the better confirmation of my *Faith* in Christ Jesus, and the salvation of my Soul by his Blood. Raise me, O Father, by the power of thy Son's Resurrection, from sin and iniquity, and give me spiritual rest, peace and joy in the Communion of Saints, that hereafter, when I shall leave this World, I may keep the everlasting Sabbath with thee in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Behold (O Lord) I knock at the Door of thy Mercy for all these Graces with all the powers of my strength, soul, and mind; beseeching thee to continue unto me the right use of all the Powers and Faculties of the same, and to send thy Holy Spirit to bear wit-

witneſs to my ſpirit that I am thy Child, and ſhall be heir of thy Kingdom with Chriſt Jeſus our Lord, and through his Merits; for whoſe ſake I beſeech thee to grant all thoſe things that I have prayed for, *Amen.*

NOON.

A Prayer for the Miniſters of the Word.

O Lord Jeſus, which haſt commanded us to pray for Labourers to thy harveſt, we beſeech thee ſend painful Miniſters into thy Church: endue them with ſuch wiſdom and ſpeech, as the adverſaries may not be able to gainſay: open unto them the door of Doctrine and Utterance, give them the ſpirit of boldneſs, that they may faithfully diſpence thy Myſteries, and ſpeak thy Word freely and boldly; take away all contentions and differences from among *them*; make them Examples to thoſe that believe, in ſoundneſs of Doctrine, and pureneſs of life. And becauſe the rule of our life depends upon thy Word in their mouths, bleſs them with all Graces fit for their Calling, that we may give thanks unto thee for them, finding thy Bleſſing upon us in and by their holy labours, and praiſe thy Name for evermore, *Amen.*

SUNDAY. Evening Prayer.

Gen. 18. 27, 30. *Behold, I have taken upon me to ſpeak unto my Lord, O let not my Lord be angry, and I will ſpeak.*

O Eternal God, and merciful Father, from the bottom of my heart I give thee

hee continual thanks, that of thy mercy hou haſt nouriſhed me with thy goodneſs, preſerved me by thy power, and governed me by thy Word and Holy Spirit this day, nd all this week paſt; yea, and at all other imes of my life hitherto: And I moſt humbly beſeech thee in the merits of Chriſt Jeſus my Saviour, not to reſpect mine unworthineſs, but in his Grave to cover and bury all my miſdeeds which I have either wittingly or ignorantly done, and in particular (O Lord) thoſe which in this week paſt I have committed, in thought, word, or deed againſt thy divine Majeſty.

Water, O Lord, with the dew of thy Grace, the Seed of thy Holy Word, which I have received this day, that with ſound judgment and godly devotion, I may put in practice ſuch things as I know to be pleaſing to thy Divine Majeſty; and that my Heart being alwaies obedient to thy Commandments, and the fear of mine Enemies taken away from me, I may paſs my time in peace and holineſs, through thy gracious protection.

Be merciful unto me, (O Lord) *forgive* the Evil that I have committed, ſupply the good which I have omitted, reſtore what I have loſt, heal my ſores, cleanſe my filthineſs, lighten my *darkneſs*, & alter the whole ſtate of my mind, diſpoſitions, and affections, that nothing may be wanting to good purpoſe in me.

O Lord, ſtretch out thy hand over me, and

and of thy wonted goodneſs defend me this Night from all evil; keep me from all fearful and wicked dreams, unprofitable cares, vain cogitations, and outward violence; preſerve my Body from eternal death, and my ſoul from everlaſting damnation. Compaſs me about on every ſide with thy Grace *inwardly* and *outwardly*, that when I ſhall either take due care for the things of this life, or carefully ſeek for thoſe things which appertain to the Kingdom of Heaven, I may hear the voice of thy Holy Spirit ſounding in my heart from the mouth of thy Apoſtle *My God ſhall fulfill all your neceſſities through his riches, with glory in Jeſus Chriſt.* Grant O Lord, theſe and all other Graces meet for me, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Lord and Saviour; in whoſe Name I farther pray unto thee, ſaying that Prayer which he in his Goſpel hath taught us, *Our Father, &c.*

MONDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 66. 20. *Bleſſed be God, which hath not turned away my Prayer, nor his mercy from me.*

O Heavenly Father, and Almighty God, who beyond all meaſure haſt unlocked the treaſure of thy favour and bleſſing unto me from time to time: I moſt heartily thank thee for the ſweet ſleep and comfortable reſt which I have taken this night, through thy gracious preſervation of me; and now (O Lord) I conſecrate my Soul and

nd Body to thy ſervice this day again, and ever hereafter, deſiring that my Prayer, early now this morning, may have acceſs unto thee.

O Lord, I pray thee bleſs, preſerve, and keep me this day, by thy Power, from ſin, ſhame, and all evil, and ſo direct me with thy Grace, that all my Thoughts, Words, and Works, may pleaſe thee. Stand, I beſeech thee, between me and mine Enemies, Bodily and Ghoſtly; eſpecially Satan and all his aſſaults and ſnares that he ſetteth for me daily. And as thou haſt now raiſed up my body from a ſound and heavy ſleep, ſo deliver my Soul from the dead ſleep of Sin and the darkneſs of this World. Help, O Lord, thy Creature, which dependeth upon thy Providence only.

O Lord Jeſus, have mercy upon me miſerable Sinner, pardon and forgive me all my ſins, negligences, and ignorances. Remember not mine obſtinacies, and have compaſſion upon mine Infirmities. Set thy holy Paſſion, Croſs, and Death between thy Judgment and my Souls danger, both now and at the hour of death.

Of thy mercy, O Lord, ſtrengthen my weakneſs, and mortifie my corrupt nature, enclining to ſwearing, wantonneſs, lying, or any ſin whatſoever; and grant that I may ſo walk in thy ways by the light of thy holy Word, that no worldly Vanity bewitch me to ſell my ſelf to work wickedneſs, but that

I may

I may in a ſpecial manner ſtrive again
thoſe ſins that my corrupt nature is pron
unto.

O Holy Father, grant me a ſound mind
and an upright heart, and the right uſe o
my ſenſes continually, that knowing what
do, and practiſing what I know, I may wor
thily lament the wickedneſs of my life, an
ever upon my unfeigned Repentance fee
thy comforts rejoycing my Soul, and neve
forget the deſire of the Life to come, bu
diligently fix my heart and affections o
Heavenly things. O Lord, bleſs me in a
the paſſages of this Pilgrimage; furthe
my buſineſs, that I may truly walk withou
ſin, and ſafely work without danger, in th
Vocation whereunto thou haſt called me i
this life; and after death, O Lord, reſtor
my body and ſoul to life eternal. Hear m
Prayer, O Lord God, for Jeſus Chriſt hi
ſake, my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

NOON.

A prayer to God the Father.

O Merciful God, and loving Father, o
whoſe Providence we depend for a
our Neceſſaries, we thank thee for our roya
Creation after thine own image, and a
other good Graces now and ever be
ſtowed upon us: Give us Grace, we pra
thee, ſo to live as becometh thy Children, i
all holineſs and righteouſneſs. Incline ou
hearts to thy Law, and not to Covetouſnes

Ope

Open the Eyes of our Underſtandings, that we may behold the ſecret things of thy Law. Make us fruitful in all good works; forgive us our Sins, and waſh us in the blood of thy Son: Cleanſe our hearts, and renew our minds to thy holy Will; proſper the works of our hands, and bring us ſafely from all dangers to the end of this day, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

MONDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 55. 17. *Evening, and Morn, and at Noon will I pray, and cry aloud, and he ſhall hear me.*

ALmighty God, Lord of Heaven and Earth, which giveſt infinite occaſion unto every Creature to praiſe thy holy Name, I who have been partaker not of the leaſt of thy Mercies, am ready with the holy Prophet, that mine Eyes may prevent the Night-watches; and I repair unto thee now again when the day is paſt, entreating thee to accept this mine Evening Sacrifice of praiſe and thanks for the depth of thy goodneſs, which I am not able to expreſs; and the Sea of thy Mercies, which have overflowed to me in a good and comfortable meaſure this day, to my great comfort. Seaſon, O Lord, my Senſes, inward and outward, with the Salt of thy Grace, that with a ſanctified Heart I may make a godly uſe of all thoſe good things which I have heard, ſeen, or read, this day in thy ſacred Word. And farther, lighten mine Eyes, that I ſleep

not in death, nor walk in ſpiritual darkneſs, ſpiritual or corporal, to endanger either Body or Soul.

Yet, O Lord, I beſeech thee let mine eyes ſleep, and enjoy that moderate recreation and refreſhing which thou haſt appointed for the wearisom condition of my weak body, but let my Soul continually watch unto thee, to attend thy coming, that when my ſleep hath not been unmeaſurable (to pleaſe exceſſively the eaſe of my fleſh) I may thereby be the better diſpoſed to thy Service to morrow, to ſuch Duties as thou haſt or ſhalt call me unto; and in all the ways that I ſhall walk, to ſet forth thy glory in them.

Preſerve me (O Lord) from all dangers that walk in the Night, and keep me from all the temptations and ſuggeſtions of him that is the Prince of Darkneſs. Forgive me the ſins and offences which I have committed this day, in thought, word, and deed, either againſt thee or my Neighbor. Give me Grace to water my Couch with the tears of true and unfeigned Repentance for all my former ſins, and grant that I may ſo paſs the reſidue of my life, as that in regard of thy Juſtice I may retain a holy fear, to ſtand alwaies in awe of thee, and in regard of thy mercy, I may conceive ſure hope never to diſpair or diſtruſt in thee.

O Lord, keep me this night both in body and ſoul, that I may with the next light joy-

ully riſe again, be thankful unto thee, and
fully walk in my Vocation and Calling,
he glory of thy *holy Name*, and the com-
lity of my Neighbor, for *Jeſus Chriſt*'s
our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

TUESDAY. Morning Prayer.

90. 14. O *ſatisfie us early with thy mercy*
at we may rejoice and be glad in thee all
r days.

Bleſſed Lord God, great in power, fear-
ful in judgment, and rich in mercy;
h bindeſt and no man looſeth, and loo-
and no man bindeth: I yield thee
humble and hearty thanks, for that of
fatherly goodneſs thou haſt vouchſafed
his nights ſleep in peace and reſt; and
n looſing the bonds wherewith I was
haſt given me power to ſee this mor-
light. Now, O Lord, (I beſeech thee)
upon me this day the heavenly dew of
comfortable Bleſſing, that thro' the ope-
n of thy gracious beams, I that am a
tree, weak and barren in my ſelf, may
forth, and bear the fruits of true Faith
y life and converſation. Continue this
neſs and mercy towards me, and by
power raiſe me from the deep ſleep of
righteouſneſs: diſcharge me from the
s of darkneſs; mortifie and ſubdue
by thy Spirit, that they may not have
dominion over me; and cloth me with
rmour of light, that I may walk ho-
y as in the day, and live ſoberly, righ-

teously, and godlily in this present worl

Grant me, O Lord, true understandi and knowledge of thy Word, which is Glass of thy will. Encrease in me all goo desires, together with true contrition heart, that I may unfeignedly despise pleasures of this World, and with hea repentance be converted unto thee; Se thy holy Angels to guide me, and keep in all thy ways, and prosper the work of hands, that I never fail in my vocation do some good to all men, and eschew (if be possible) all Evil, and the occasions a appearances thereof.

O Lord, I beseech thee, preserve and ke my heart sound and upright, that I be n ther corrupted by prosperity, nor cast do by adversity, nor be too fearful of thy Ju ments, or too bold upon thy Mercy. B grant me Grace, O merciful Lord, tha may apprehend all things that come fr thee with a religious contented mind, a in the end of my days, by a lively Fa may joyfully arrive in the Land of Prom the Kingdom of Heaven, through the m rits of Jesus Christ, my only Saviour a Redeemer, *Amen.*

NOON. *A Prayer to God the Son.*

O Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, Son of Eternal God, blessed be thy Name our Redemption; great was thy Love, s was thy Passion. Print in our minds,

eech thee, the continual memory thereof, t we may love thee, which ſo loveſt us; l evermore praiſe thee, that haſt bought at ſo dear a price. Reject not our Prayers ich we offer to be preſented to thy Fa- r, but mercifully help us, and heal all our irmities; encreaſe our Faith, and teach obedience, forgive our offences, and hide in and by thy wounds from thy Father's ſt wrath. Make good thy Promiſes unto for the World to come, and enable us ith thy Grace for the performance of all y Commandments. Proſper, O Lord, our ndiwork, and bring us ſafely to the end this day, for thy Truth, and for thy Name ke, *Amen.*

TUESDAY. Evening Prayer.

ſal. 146. 5. *Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whoſe hope is in the Lord his God.*

O Moſt holy Father, and my gracious God, which giveſt unto all ſorts of men he cheerful light of the day, that by thine ſſiſtance, and in thy fear, they may follow heir honeſt vocations, and likewiſe ſendeſt he ſilent night, that then they may reſt heir wearied limbs, buſied minds, and ſo return their due thanks for thy goodneſs; I ſinful Creature do heartily laud and praiſe thee for the total ſum of all thy mercies, whereof I have been this day a partaker.

O Lord, I am vile, look not upon mine unworthineſs, folly, and wickedneſs, but ap-

peaſe thy anger juſtly conceived againſt
:nd forgive what hath been amiſs in me t
day, or at any other time, even for his ſa
who is thy well-beloved Son, and my de
Advocate.

Root up, O Lord, the thorns of mine
:linations and affections, and in their pla
make the fruits of vertue to ſpring; Inflam
my heart with the deſire of heavenly lov
that I may keep thy commandments wi
zeal as hot as fire, loving thee above a
hings, and my Neighbor as my ſelf.

Give me Grace, O Lord, to ſerve thee
rue faith, fear and holineſs, all the days
my life, and to overcome my mortal ene
mies, the deſire of the world, the pleaſures o
the fleſh, and the ſuggeſtions of the wicke
ſpirit, remembring my promiſe made unt
thee in Baptiſm for the performance where
of, I depend only upon thy Holy Spirit.

O God of Light, let thine Angels pitch
their tents round about this houſe for our
defence now in the time of this darkneſs,
and grant that this nights ſleep may be quiet
unto me, without grief or trouble. Preſerve
me and mine, both in body and ſoul, from
all dangers and offences, which may come
either by fooliſh dreams, noiſome ſpirits, or
uncleanneſs of corrupt nature. Waken me
again, O Lord, in due time, and let me be-
hold the light of the next day to my com-
fort, prepare my heart and mind for thy
ſervice every day in all truth and ſincerity,
that

hat when I have run the race of this life. hou maiſt be pleaſed to call me to be par aker of a better, that ſo I may live and eign with thee evermore, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 143. 8. *Cauſe me to hear thy loving kindneſs in the morning, for in thee do I truſt; ſhew me the way wherein I ſhould walk, for I lift my ſoul unto thee.*

O Bleſſed God, and merciful Father, the never-going-down Sun of the World, which bringeth forth, nouriſheſt, refreſheſt and reneweſt all things both in Heaven and Earth; I thy poor Creature moſt humbly thank thee, that thou haſt preſerved me in this laſt darkneſs, and every night and day hitherto, under thy protection, ſuffering me to live until this preſent hour; that thou haſt ſuccoured and defended me in all my needs and neceſſities, and haſt provided ſo graciouſly and mercifully for me. Now I beſeech thee (Lord) do not abridg the hand of thy mercy toward me, but let the ſpring of thy Grace flowing from the Sanctuary of thy goodneſs, ariſe to all parts of my Body and Soul, in ſuch proportion as may be for thy Glory and my Comfort.

Mortifie (O my God) all the corrupt affections that are in me; cleanſe me from my ſecret faults, and pardon the innumerable ſins which I have committed. Fill me this day with thy Grace, that I may not ſpend

it, but to the honour of thy Name. Set a watch before the door of my mouth, and order the courſe of my lips, that I may utter nothihg unadviſedly, either before thee or men; keep my ſenſes within their limits; ſet my heart in a new frame of obedience, and keep it in the ſame; direct my will in that which is good, and order my judgment for the right accompliſhment of thoſe things that appertain to my vocation.

O Lord, defend me from all ſhame and diſgrace of life: ſhield me from all violence and force of Enemies, and guide me ſafely through all perilous and dangerous ways. Make me as thy Spouſe, inwardly and outwardly prepared and adorned by Grace, that I may be preſented a pure Virgin unto Chriſt. Diſplay upon me the banners of thy love, ſet thine eye upon me for good, and not for evil, that with the eye of Faith I may behold and ſee the Croſs of Chriſt and his ſacred wounds, the comfortable price of my Redemption, and may have ſuch faſt footing in this Chriſtian warfare, that nothing make me yield to the temptations of the Devil. O Lord, ſo ſtrengthen me with thy hand, and furniſh me with thy Grace in this vale of miſery, that all the Members of my body may follow the direction of my heart, and my heart being ſincerely knit unto thee, I may wholly ſerve thee in holineſs and righteouſneſs all the days of my life, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

NOON.

NOON. *A Prayer to the Holy Ghoſt.*

O Holy Spirit, the Author and Giver of Life, which haſt guided me thus far this day, and guarded me from manifold evils; I praiſe thee, I bleſs thee, I glorify thee for thy great mercy; continue thy goodneſs toward me, I beſeech thee, though I deſerve it not, inſpire my mind with holy motions, convert me from evil, confirm me in all that is good.

Comfort me, thou Comforter, when I ſhall have moſt need. Clear the ſtorm of Temptation, and enflame the coldneſs of my zeal with the fire of thy holy Spirit, and of the love wrought in the people thereby. Lead me into all truth, and reclaim me when I go aſtray. O proſper the work of my hands, bring me ſafely from all dangers to the end of this day, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

WEDNESDAY. Evening Prayer.

Withhold not thy tender mercies from me, O Lord, let thy loving kindneſs, and thy truth, alwaies preſerve me.

O Lord God, thou who art my love, my life, the length and ſtrength of my days, I moſt heartily thank thee for keeping me this day from manifold dangers both of Body and Soul, which might juſtly have fallen upon me. Now I humbly beſeech thee bring not into judgment what I have done amiſs this day, but mercifully pardon the eſcapes and offences of my frail nature. For-

give and forget (O Lord) all mine idle and vain words, and impute not my fooliſhneſs unto me. Remit unto me all my aberrations and goings aſtray from thy Law. Deſtroy in me the kingdom of Sin, the power of Satan, the deſires of the World, and the vain delights of the fleſh.

Lord, into thy hands I commend my ſelf even Soul and Body, this night and ever; lighten *my* darkneſs, that I ſleep not in *death*, and defend me, that no evil happen unto *me*, but that by thy bleſſing I may reſt ſafely.

Comfort me (Lord) in all thoſe things wherein I have been any ways diſmaid this day. Take not thy holy Spirit from me, but continue the motions thereof in my heart, and make me careful to uſe all good means to cheriſh and ſtir them up, that when as the Tempter ſhall come with his aſſaults, I may be furniſhed with the ſhield of Faith, to quench his fiery darts.

Strengthen my weakneſs, and grant that this nights ſleep may be ſweet and healthful to my Body, and a profitable memorial of that ſleep which at my laſt end in that great night ſhall make a ſeparation between my body and ſoul.

Let always thine unſpeakable mercy preſerve me, thy endleſs ſweetneſs rejoice me, thy heavenly truth ſtrengthen me, thy knowledge embolden me, and thy goodneſs keep me now and for evermore from mine enemies viſible and inviſible, that I may awake

wake in the morning in perfect ſence and good health, and for the ſame be thankful unto thee, and carefully betake me to my vocation and calling, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake my only Saviour, *Amen.*

THURSDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 145. 18. *The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.*

O Lord God, which art the light which no man can attain unto, and yet lightneſt every one that cometh into the world, mercifully driving away the darkneſſes of the night, and ſhadow of death. I praiſe thy holy Name, and thank thee moſt humbly, that thou haſt vouchſafed me the favour to paſs this night in ſuch comfortable reſt, and to be brought again ſafe and ſound unto the morning light. Now (I beſeech thee) by the Myſtery of the Holy Incarnation, and the bleſſed Nativity of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt (the thrice happy Day-ſtar that appeared to the World) let thy mercy this day ariſe upon me, and let the bright beams of thy light ſhine into my heart, that I be not tranſported either through the corruption of nature or power of darkneſs, to ſpend this day after mine own mind and pleaſure, but that I may carefully follow the Heavenly Light of thy word, to perform thy bleſſed will.

Encreaſe in me (O Lord) the gift of Faith and Hope, that I may believe in thee, and thy promiſes made in Chriſt, and diligently labour to find in my Soul thoſe Graces

ces to which thou hast annexed thy promises; and grant, that neither by mine own negligence, nor the infirmity of the Flesh, nor the grievousness of Temptations, I be driven away from a sure confidence of a gracious acceptance with thee in the merit of his Sacred Blood. Disperse the thick mists and clouds of my sinful life, which blemish my Soul, and darken my Understanding, and wash away all such Pollutions in the blood of his Passion, that I may be acknowledged for one of thine, when I come unto thee in my need. Give me a will to work duly and truly in my Vocation this day without idleness, and order my skill with the Rule of thy Wisdom, that I be not unfruitful. Bless my Body and Soul, that none evil or harm come unto them; and keep my memory and senses, that they pass not the limits of that Understanding and Reason wherewith thou hast endued me.

O Lord, lighten my mind to look upon good things (only) enflame my heart with a love of them: Conduct me by thy Grace to attain them, that as thou hast now awaked my body from sleep, so my soul may daily be raised from the slumber of sin, and darkness of this World, and they both being companions and fellows in the ways of godliness, may be partakers of everlasting life at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

NOON.

NOON. *A Prayer for Sobriety.*

O Lord God, which haſt commanded us to be ſober, direct my paths in the right way of Sobriety, ſpiritual and corporal; ſuffer me not this day, nor any other, to abuſe thy good Creatures, or turn thy Grace into wantonneſs; let me not be overcome with ſurfeiting and drunkenneſs, but avoid all ſuperfluity, uſing all temperance and moderation both in meats and drinks. Grant me a ſtaid mind, a grave and ſober diſpoſition, and an humble and lowly conceit of my ſelf; bleſs me, that I may be wiſe, but to ſobriety; that I may live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godlily in this preſent World, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

THURSDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 145. 9. *The Lord is good to all, and his tender mercies are over all his Works.*

O Lord God, my moſt loving and merciful Father, great in mercy, and conſtant in truth, I do acknowledge my bounden duty of thankfulneſs unto thee, for thy manifold graces and benefits imparted unto me this day. Tho' I be unable to recount them, and far more unworthy to be partaker of them, nevertheleſs in full aſſurance and confidence of thy love to me in Chriſt Jeſus, I preſume to come unto thee, and now again commit into thy hands this Night my Soul and Body, and all my ſenſes, my thoughts, affections, words, and deeds, all within

within me, and all without me, my Faith, and my continuance in the ſame; beſeeching thee of thy mercy, to keep me and them day and night, blameleſs and undefiled, againſt the day of thy coming.

Lord, pardon (I pray thee) and forgive me all the ſins which this day I have either wretchedly affected, or wickedly imagined againſt thine Honour, and the good of my Neighbor: Lay not the Faults and Frailties of my younger years unto my charge: O Lord forget them, O Lord forgive them. And for the better confirmation of thy gracious pardon, I humbly entreat thee, (O Lord) to annex unto thy grant, the power of thy Grace to attend upon me, that I may not do mine own will, but thine, in eſchewing evil, and doing good. Strike my heart (Lord) with thy fear, that in fearing thee I may labour to eſcape thoſe things which thou threatneſt, and give me the comfort of thy Salvation, that in loving thee I may be thought worthy to obtain thoſe things which thou haſt promiſed. Be favourable unto me, O Lord, that I may this night quietly take my reſt under the ſhadow of thy wings, void of all fear, ſpiritual darkneſs, danger, and deſpair; and when the dark end of this mortal life (like the ſhutting in of this day) ſhall come, grant me (O Lord) a watchful heart, willingly diſpoſed, and throughly enabled with thy Grace to abandon theſe tranſitory nights and days, and depart hence in the

the peace of a good Conſcience, into thine everlaſting Reſt, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Saviour and Redeemer, in whoſe name I farther pray unto thee, ſaying that Form of Prayer that he hath taught us, *Our Father, &c.*

FRIDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 73. 25. *Whom have I in Heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I deſire beſides thee.*

O Almighty Lord, my mighty Creator and my God, I thine unworthy Servant give thee moſt humble and hearty thanks for thy gracious protection and preſervation of me in health, wealth, and ſafety this night paſt and all other times. And now, I beſeech thee, ſo direct me by thy holy Spirit, that I may this day live and walk according to thy good will and Pleaſure, in all harmleſs manner, to the profit and good of my Neighbours, and in all holineſs and righteouſneſs, for thy glory.

Lighten my mind, O Lord, by the true underſtanding of thy Holy Word, that without all vanity or curioſity, I may ſeek to know what is that good, perfect, and acceptable will, and may alſo unfeignedly expreſs what I know, in my life and converſation.

O Lord, I confeſs and acknowledge all the ſins which I have committed againſt thy Law; but on bended knees I beſeech thee, enter

enter not into judgment with thy Servant for them, but wipe them away in thy Son's Blood. Bless my Judgment and all my Senses, that no sudden motion make me conceive my grief so far, as to forfeit my reasonable understanding; neither that I be so blinded in understanding, as to misconceive any part of thy truth, or maintain or hold any error or erroneous fancy. Send, O Lord, thy blessing upon all my labours and travels in this World, that I may have wherewithal to relieve my necessities upon all occasions. Endue me with thy fear, give me an humble mind, godly sorrow, and a good conscience, that I may carry an honest and upright meaning, to deal justly and truly with all men.

O Lord, temper and order all things unto me in such a peaceable course, that I may never be farther tempted than thou wilt make me able to bear; and so work for me, O my God, as may be most to thy Glory, and my Comfort. Give me patience in all provocations and trials, and faith in all temptations; and so arm me with thy Grace and Assistance, that I may walk warily and wisely this day, and all the days of my life, for Jesus Christ his sake mine only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

NOON. *A Prayer for Chastity.*

ALmighty Lord, which knowest that in our flesh dwelleth no good, and yet hath vouchsafed to make our bodies the Temple

Temple of the Holy Ghoſt, give me Grace, that I may alwaies crucifie the fleſh with all the inordinate affections, and inordinate deſires thereof, and bring it into ſubjection unto the Spirit. Quench the flames of carnal motions in me, abate the heat of foul luſt, and let me not be led away by the enticements of any wanton company. I know my Members be the Members of Chriſt, and therefore ſanctifie me (I beſeech thee) that whether I live in the ſtate of Matrimony or a ſingle life, I may avoid all uncleanneſs, and alwaies poſſeſs my Veſſel not in the luſt of Concupiſcence but in Holineſs and Honour, that it may be a Temple for thy ſelf to delight and dwell in, for Jeſus ſake, *Amen.*

FRIDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 73. 28. *It is good for me to draw near unto God; I have put my truſt in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy works.*

O Eternal God, my merciful and loving Father in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord, I render unto thy Majeſty due praiſe and thanks for thy Fatherly goodneſs, in protecting me this day from many dangers and damages, which might juſtly have happen'd unto me, if thou ſhouldeſt ſtrictly have obſerved what I have deſerved, and now (I beſeech thee) to keep and protect me this night alſo; preſerve me and mine in thy Fatherly Providence, and all thoſe that depend upon me. Have mercy upon me (O God) have mer-

mercy upon me, and of thy wonted goodneſs forgive me all my tranſgreſſions, eſpecially thoſe which I have committed this day againſt thy Sacred Majeſty; ſhew me the light of thy countenance, and let me find comfort in the remorſe of my Conſcience.

Bleſs me (O Lord) and water me with the dew of thy Bleſſings, and let the drops of thy Son's blood ſhed for my ſins, (and yet crying for thy mercy) diſtil into my heart by a lively Faith, for the comfort of my ſoul, and the amendment of my life.

I beſeech thee (O Lord) take from me all manner of darkneſs, misbelief, infidelity, carnal luſts and affections, and ſo ſtrengthen me with thy Grace, that the bark of my weak Faith ſink not through the ſtorms of Satan's Temptations, nor my hope be overturned through the weight of my unworthineſs, nor any of thy good Graces extinguiſhed or blemiſhed, by the ways of a wicked converſation. Enter thy Judgments into the Tables of my Heart, that I may be content to ſpare my ordinary ſleep, to muſe of all thy Commandments, and that I may be more earneſt upon the meditation of thy Sacred Word, than the Kings of the Nations have been to turn over their Records in the night-ſeaſon. Be mindful of me, when I happen to forget my ſelf, and think upon me, O Lord, ſleeping and waking.

Keep me (O Lord) this night, preſerve even me and mine, that we be neither diſ-

quieted

quieted by dreams, nor ſurprized by ſudden violence, nor affrighted by any terror, but grant us this Freedom and Liberty, that we may lye down in peace and reſt, and riſe up again in due time ſafely, to the honour and glory of thy Name, and the managing of our worldly buſineſs, in thy fear, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

SATURDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 42. 8. *The Lord will command his loving-kindneſs in the day-time, and in the night-ſeaſon his ſong ſhall be with me, and my Prayer unto the God of my life.*

O Immortal and Everlaſting God, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, I thine unworthy Servant, beſeech thee to accept this *my morning Sacrifice* of praiſe and thanks, due unto thee alone, for protecting me with thy mighty hand, from the Fears and Dangers of this night paſt, and refreſhing my weary body with natural and kindly reſt, and hereunto (I humbly entreat thee) to joyn thy further Grace for the rouzing up of my ſlothful and ſluggiſh Nature from ſin and evil, that I may walk in thy Commandments with all cheerfulneſs this day and evermore.

Pardon (O Lord, I beſeech thee) all forepaſt evils, abominations of my life and converſation. Cut off the roots, boughs, leaves, and fruits of the evil Tree of my corrupt heart; put away the inward luſts, doubtings and

and denying of thy Providence, with all thoſe groſs and outward ſins which I have committed, and do daily affect and effect againſt thee, and give me a ſure hope of thy gracious pardon and everlaſting life, that alwaies while I am in this World, I may have the taſte and feeling of it in my heart.

Give me Grace, O Lord, to ſhun and to avoid all thoſe things which thou either hateſt or haſt no pleaſure in. Take from me a proud look, and a deceitful tongue, bloody hands, and a heart any ways given to wicked imaginations. Keep me this day from all perils, that may come either unto my Soul or Body, either by Satan himſelf or any of his Miniſters: bleſs my Senſes and Underſtanding, that in all things I may hear and ſpeak Reaſon; and ſuffer me not (I beſeech thee) to ſpeak, think, or do any thing this day, but that which may pleaſe thee, be anſwerable to my vocation, and tend unto the advancement of thy Glory, and the health of my Soul.

O Lord, I pray thee ſend thy bleſſing upon all my labours, and give me a willing mind to help them that have need, according to my ability, and ſo prepare my heart in all my buſineſs, that I may alwaies begin it in thy Name, and go forward in thy fear, and finiſh it with thy Bleſſing, that whatſoever I ſhall do, it may proſper. Grant this (O Lord) for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our only Mediator and Redeemer, *Amen.*

NOON.

NOON. *A Prayer for Patience.*

O God, which art the God of Patience, and giveſt Conſolations to them that be patient, ſtay my unbridled nature this day, and ever, from all diſcontentedneſs of mind, doubtings, fears, murmurings, and furious actions. Give me Grace to take it in good part, whatſoever ſhall befall me, and let my heart acknowledge it to be the Lord's doing, to come from thy Providence, and not by chance. Quiet my Soul in the manifold diſquietings of this World, and open mine Eyes when any need ſhall be, that I may ſee help in thee. Prevent all evil that may befal me, and turn all things to the beſt for my good in thee. Grant me patience, and thy Will to me be done in Jeſus Chriſt my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

SATURDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 88. 1, 2. *O Lord God of my Salvation, I have cried day and night before thee. Let my prayer come before thee, encline thine ear unto my cry.*

BLeſſing, and Glory, and Wiſdom, and Thankſgiving, and Honour, and Power, and Might, be unto thee, O Lord, moſt high and immortal God, for thy gracious Goodneſs and Mercy extended to me this day and alwaies; notwithſtanding all my wickedneſſes which cry daily againſt me, and mine Enemies that would ſwallow me up: I beſeech thee (O Lord) be ſtill my God and

and my Lord, and continue thy gracious and merciful Favour unto me. Forgive me all that is paſt, even all the evil that I have done or thought, and grant that I may hereafter ſerve and pleaſe thee in holineſs and newneſs of life. Be thou my ſhield and defence againſt the ſuggeſtions, illuſions, and temptations of Satan, againſt all the alurements and baits of the fleſh, with all alterations, provocations, changes, and chances of the world; ſanctifie me with thy Grace, that I may keep my Body undefiled as the Temple of the Holy Ghoſt, and that my ſoul may be defended, cheriſhed, and tendered as the Apple of thine eye, from all the pollutions of ſinful luſt.

O good God, the Sun is gone down, the web of this day is almoſt ſpun, and the night is at hand. Bleſs me (I beſeech thee) this night, and take me into thy cuſtody: ſave me waking, keep me ſleeping, that I may both ſleep and wake in peace and ſafety. Let the ſhadow of thy wings be my Covert, the Holy Ghoſt my comfort, and thy Holy Name my Rock and Defence againſt all evil, fear, damage, or danger, which may overtake me this night, or any other time. Prepare me (O Lord) for the day following, the holy Sabbath, the hallowed day of thy Reſt, and my great Duty; and then ſo unlock the Myſteries of thy Holy Word unto me, that I may therein ſee the things of thy glorious Majeſty, learn the leſſons of my

my own Duty, and rightly underſtand the certainty of my *Mortality*.

Grant me *(O Lord)* ſuch Grace as I may make a right uſe of all things, that the hearing of thy Holy Word, and the good example of thy Servants agreeing with the Rule of thy Law, may be both as a Bridle to reſtrain me from ſin, and a ſpur to ſet me forward to holineſs of life and converſation in this World. *O Lord*, grant me theſe and all other good things, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid in the Night, upon our awaking.

Pſal. 119. 62. *At midnight I will riſe to give thanks unto thee, becauſe of thy righteous Judgments.*

O Lord Jeſus, who to deliver the holy Apoſtle St. *Peter* from the Fury of a cruel Tyrant, didſt by an Angel awake him in the dead of the night, and haſt now awaked me thy poor Servant long before the day break; I bleſs thee, and with all humble thanks praiſe thee for that Portion of comfortable reſt which thou haſt given me from my down-lying unto this preſent hour, beſeeching thee to forgive and forget my miſſion of ſuch Duties, as I ſhould have perform'd before I fell aſleep.

O bleſſed Saviour, who didſt watch and pray when thy Diſciples were aſleep, and ſpenteſt

ſpentſt many nights in prayer for my ſake, pardon my forgetfulneſs, drowzineſs and dulneſs in heavenly matters; mine idle dreams, and wandring thoughts in prayer, and meditation; and pray to thy Father, and my God, thine by Nature, mine by his Grace and thine, that none of theſe things be laid to my charge.

Keep me in this *Interim* from all evil and vain cogitations, from temptation of the Enemy, and ungodly deſigns; that ſo long as I ſhall be awake, I may, as thy holy Servants *Paul* and *Silas* did, at midnight meditate upon thy ſacred Law, and all holy things, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid when we cannot ſleep.

O Lord God, by whoſe Ordinance King *Ahaſuerus* one night could not ſleep in his own bed, and yet through thy gracious Providence thy Apoſtle St. *Peter*, ſlept quietly, though guarded and chained in Priſon. I beſeech thee to behold how my ſleep is broken, ſo that I cannot take my natural reſt kindly, and to have compaſſion upon my weak conſtitution, which yet deſires farther nouriſhment. Lord, let no buſineſs cares, or fear, trouble my head longer at this time, but ſo ſettle my brain in this quiet of the night, that I may lay me down in peace, and take my reſt, my body receiving his due refreſhing, but my mind continual-

ly watching unto thee, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Morning.

O Lord God, most mighty and merciful Father, I thine unworthy Creature and Servant acknowledge mine own Vileness, natural Corruption, and abominable Sins many times, and divers ways committed against thee; so that I am not worthy to come near thy Sanctuary, or to approach the uttermost limits of the place where thine Honour dwelleth. Yet I beseech thee, for his sake in whom thou art so well pleased, my Lord Jesus Christ, vouchsafe to admit me to render thee my bounden thanks, for thy manifold Mercies extended towards me this night past, and all other times of my life, for my rest, my sleep, my food and raiment, my health, peace and liberty, and the hope of a better life, in the merits of thy Son's bitter Passion. And, dear Father, I beseech thee to continue thy merciful Favour unto me this day and ever hereafter. Forgive me all mine unthankfulness, unkindness, and prophaneness towards thee, thy Word, and Service, or towards my Neighbor. Set all my sins over to that reckoning which thy Son Jesus Christ my Lord hath made up for them upon his Cross. Never lay any of them to *my charge*, but *freely forgive* and *forget* all.

O Lord strike my heart with thy rod, that I may always be furnished with a true and unfeigned Repentance; that I may not be

blind in my ſins to delight in them, or to think that thou wilt not reſpect my untowardneſs, but that I may be weary of them, grieve for them, and by all means poſſible ſtrive to attain a true mortification of the Fleſh, and ſo to live holily, and juſtly, and ſoberly in this preſent World.

O good God, I humbly entreat thee, leave me not to my ſelf, mine own luſt and *deſires*, but aſſiſt me with thy Grace to hearken unto thee, and thy Word, and to paſs my time in fear and trembling, as an obedient Child of ſo good a Father.

Bleſs me (Lord) this day, and proſper all that I ſhall take in hand, let me have all my directions from thy will, and the ſucceſs from thy merciful hand. Give me a competent ſtay for the maintenance of this mortal life. Continue my food and raiment, health, peace, and liberty, that I may with a quiet mind and thankful heart paſs my time in this vale of miſery, doing good to all men, after mine ability, without diſgrace to my ſelf, or harm to any one.

Grant theſe good things, moſt merciful Father, and all other needful Graces not only unto me, but unto all thy dear Children in the World, to the good of our Souls and Bodies, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, in whoſe Name I farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Goſpel, ſaying, *Our Father*, &c.

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A Prayer for the Evening.

O Eternal God, and moſt merciful Father, I do confeſs againſt my ſelf, that my heart and hands are full of all filthineſs and ſins whatſoever, and I am altogether unworthy to ſpeak unto thee, or to come near to thy preſence: Nevertheleſs being ſo much bound unto thee, as this day paſt and all other times of my life do witneſs, I offer unto thy Majeſty (by the hand of Jeſus Chriſt my Mediator) my humble duty of praiſe and thankſgiving, for my Election, Creation, Redemption, Vocation, and Sanctification, with all other good graces appertaining to this life, or that which is to come.

And namely, O Lord, my tongue and lips ſhall glorifie thee, ſitting above the Cherubim, for preſerving me this day paſt from ſo many miſeries and caſualties, whereinto I might juſtly have fallen, if thou wouldeſt have entred into Judgment with me. But (O Lord) thou art merciful, and paſſeſt by mine offences, to win me by thy long ſufferance: I beſeech thee make me thankful for thy mercies, ready and willing to make good uſe of thy moſt gracious forbearance, and careful to do thy will, with all conſcience and conſtancy.

O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my ſins, grant me every day more and more the ſight and feeling of them, with hearty ſorrow and unfeigned repentance for the ſame. Give me Grace to believe all the ſweet

Promiſes that thou haſt made unto me in Chriſt Jeſus, both for the remiſſion of my ſins, and the hope of a better life; ſtrengthen me from above with thy mighty hand to walk in every good way without fear, and to bring forth the fruits of a true and lively Faith in my life and converſation, all the days of my pilgrimage here.

Arm me, O Lord, with thy Grace and holy Spirit against all the common corruptions of the World, the temptations of the Devil, and the alurements of the fleſh, and ſettle my mind to the continual exerciſe of devout Prayer, with the hearing of thy ſacred Word, watching for thy coming both publick and private.

Continue thy goodneſs towards me, in providing for me ſuch things as are neceſſary for the maintenance of this preſent life; and bleſs the ſame under my hand, that the little which I have by thy goodneſs may be encreaſed, and the encreaſe may ſerve as well to furniſh my neceſſary uſes, as to miniſter unto the neceſſities of others, according to my ability.

Keep me (Lord) this night from all evils which may happen either unto my Body, or to my Soul: Extend thy goodneſs towards all thoſe that depend upon me, or upon them. Give me quiet ſleep and reſt, and when I ſhall awake, let all my thoughts and cogitations be holy Meditations on thee and thy Law. Bleſs me, O Lord, all the night and

and days of my life, and at the end thereof ſend me a bleſſed departure, and afterwards a joyful Reſurrection unto Life-eternal.

Grant me theſe good things moſt merciful Father, and all other needful Graces, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, in whoſe Name I ſhall farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Goſpel, ſaying, *Our Father, &c.*

Short Prayers for the Morning and Evening; by *J. F.* 1581.

A ſhort Prayer for the Morning.

O God of Light, who haſt preſerved me and brought me from the darkneſs of this night, ſhine into my heart this day and ever, by thy bleſſed and holy Spirit, that I may be enlighten'd, and led into all truth, that I may walk faithfully as the child of light before thee, caſting away the works of darkneſs, in the place that thou haſt ſet me, doing and performing diligently thoſe *things* that thou haſt required of me, either to the praiſe of thy Name, or the comfort of my Brethren. Grant this, *good Lord*, I humbly beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

A ſhort Prayer for the Evening.

I Thank thee, O Father, for thy gracious protection of me this day; I beſeech thee keep me alſo this night under the ſhadow of thy wings, that I reſting in thee, may find ſuch comfort and ſtrength both of Body and Soul, as may enable me to the performance of my duty. Grant this, I humbly be-

beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, mine only Saviour, in whoſe Name I farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Holy Goſpel, ſaying, *Our Father, &c.*

A Prayer to God the Father, as a Preparative to the Meditations enſuing.

O Gracious Lord, Almighty and Everlaſting God, the Father of my Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, who was born at *Bethlehem*, in great poverty; grant me, I beſeech thee, a room amongſt the Wiſe Men of the *Eaſt*, to offer the poor Talent of my weak devotion unto him all the days of my life; even true Faith for pure Gold; the perfume of devout Prayer, for ſweet Frankincenſe; and hearty ſorrow, with bitter tears of Repentance, for dropping Myrrh.

And becauſe he came into this world in ſuch humility, furniſhed with ſuch a meaſure of love, that he was content, without conſtraint, to be laden with the heavy burthen of all our infirmities, and to carry our woful ſorrows; vouchſafe me thy Grace, that I may pick up ſome crumbs under thy Table, and gather up ſome fruits at the Foot of his Croſs, that when I *ſhall* have ſeen what *Judas* ſold, and the *Jews* bought, what *Judas* loſt, and I have gained, I may bath my ſoul in the purple ſtream of his moſt precious *blood* and then entomb him, and lay him up in a believing heart, unto his *glorious appearance.*

O Lord, ſince he did vouchſafe to undergo a world of injuries and miſeries for my ſake,

sake, and at the last, in a shameful death offered himself up in sacrifice to thee for my Redemption: Strengthen my weakness, and cleanse my filthiness, that all the days of *my* life, I *being washed* (as the Apostle saith) being sanctified, and being justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of my God, I may never be without sorrow for my sins, thankfulness for thy benefits, fear *of* thy judgments, love *of* thy mercies, nor remembrance of thy presence, *Amen.*

A Meditation or Prayer upon the Life, Death, and Passion of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ.

O Lord Christ Jesus, Son of God, thou holy, mighty, and wonderful God and Man; thou who art the life of the living and *the* death of death, & therefore both in *life* and *death* advantage to thy Children; thou whose life for our sakes was enfeebled with natural Infirmities, and thy death caused by violent sorrows, and yet thy *life* mild and thy *death* quiet, I beseech thee give me a heart of flesh, to weep, lament, and shed tears down my cheeks; if not for thy pains (who didst sweat drops of Blood trickling down to the ground, and afterward diedst) yet for my sins, which then bred thy sorrow, and now would work my woe.

Lord, I know that for me, amongst many, the tempest of thy Father's anger, and fire of his wrath, was stirred and kindled against thee, but thou wast innocent and holy, thou art the worship of *Israel*; wherefore now

with the Wise men of the East, I come to seek thee in the Stable in *Bethlehem*, and with all the *Jews* I come to see thee at Mount *Calvary*, at *Bethlehem*, Lord, where the Manger was thy Bed to be born in; in Mount *Calvary*, where the Cross was thy Bed to die on: In *Bethlehem*, where a handful of straw was the Pillow for thy Sacred Head to rest on: In Mount *Calvary*, where a Crown of Thorns, and a number of Nails pierced and fastened both Head and Body: In *Bethlehem*, where course swadling cloaths were thy best robes; and in Mount *Calvary*, where thou wast stripped of thy cloaths and thy Body hung naked in much misery; I come, Lord, to adore thee, to praise thee, and to pray thee, that as for thy life-time thou wast content to be bred, born, brought up in manifold Infirmities, to demonstrate the truth of thy Humility, and then at thy death thou wast pleased to disarm thy self, and to be broken with many miseries, for discharge of our Captivity, and thereby to seal in our hearts the assurance of our access to thy Throne of Grace. So I pray thee, wilt thou be pleased, as a gracious King, to hold out the golden Scepter of Mercy to my fearful Conscience that I may have warrant to come near unto thee, to look into thy wounds, to sue for compassion and pardon, and to taste of thy goodness, who am a sinful wretch, and a woful creature, full of corruption and manifold infirmities.

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O sweet Jesus, how shall I account the large severals *of* thy long Passions, *from* thy poor Nativity to thy guiltless death? How shall I reckon up all the miseries which thou didst endure, *from* thy bloody Sweat and heavy Agony in one Garden, to thy strange Burial in another? How can I think of thy labour in Preaching thy weariness in travelling, thy watchfulness in praying, thy temptings in fasting, thy tears in pitying and not confessing more justly *of* thee, than *David* did for his *Jonathan*; *Very kind hast thou been unto me, thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of Women.*

O Lord, was it not enough for thee to be cloathed with the veil of flesh for to love me; but that thou must be compassed also with the shadow of death to save me? Was it not enough to become *Earth, Earth, Earth*, but thou must become also *Wo, Wo, Wo*, and all for me? the God of Heaven to become the Son of Man? the Lord of Life to be made the Child of Death? the Master turned to be Servant, and *from* a Servant to be accounted a bad Servant? O Humility without example! O Love beyond measure! O Grace beyond merit!

There was no *proof* brought, and yet was he scourged without measure, no *indictment* found, and yet he was crucified without mercy. Oh, the Beloved of the Lord run through briars of unworthy Passions! Oh, the Holy Lamb was betray'd, carried away,

bound, condemned, conſorted with Malefactors and Thieves; and like *Jonah*, plunged in the main depth of ſorrows, and ſwallowed up of the Whale of Death.

Oh thou that didſt ſuffer theſe things, remember for whom thou didſt ſuffer them; remember me, *O Lamb of God, that takeſt away the ſins of the world, have mercy upon me.*

O Lord Jeſus, it is the joy of my heart to hear that thou haſt taken and born all mine infirmities; all ſpiritual, all corporal, true evidences of thy humanity, but no impediments to thy charity; all of Soul, and of Body, and yet neither deformed in faſhion nor diſtempered in paſſion, nor tainted with any guilt of ſin, all infirmities good in thee, all very neceſſary for me; for thy ſoul heavy to *death*, ſhall bring my ſoul with joy to *Life*. Nay, I ſhould never have been heartily merry, except thou hadſt been painfully ſad, and grievouſly ſorrowful. I ſhould never have been verily ſatisfied, except thou hadſt truly hungred and thirſted; I ſhould never have been delivered from *fear*, and abſolutely bold, except thou hadſt naturally feared, for all was *for* me.

O thou ever-glorious God, the Conſolation of *Iſrael*, and the Hope of all the ends of the Earth, relieve my careful conſcience, that am ſad, diſordered and diſturbed in mind, for fear of thy Judgments, having diſpleaſed ſuch a gracious God, and ſo loving a Father.

O never let my Soul be overtaken with Fear, so far as to despair, nor overwhelmed with the Sea of thy wrath, nor appalled with the suggestions of Satan, but let it alwaies hear the voice of thy blood speaking better things than the blood of *Abel*, and crying not for revenge, but for pardon for me, who by manifold transgressions have robbed God of his Honour, the Church of a Member, and my Soul of Life.

O man of sorrows, but mirror of Patience! what week of pains was this to thee? what a Good-Friday was this for me? what days of sorrows were then one after another to thee? and yet with what patience didst thou pass them over? Patient when *Caiaphas* so despitefully used thee; patient when *Pilate* so unrighteously judged thee; patient when false *Judas* so cunningly and treacherously saluted thee, designing thee to be taken. Again, patient when thou didst carry thine own Cross; patient when the Crown of thorns drew blood from thy Sacred Head: and patient when all others reviled, reproached, bespitted, scoffed, and abused thee.

O thou, who so patiently and peaceably, mildly and meekly, truly and willingly didst carry *painful* and *pangful*, hainous and heavy sorrows for me; I beseech thee let thy patience discharge my impatience, and let thy infirmities strengthen my weakness, inform mine ignorance, comfort my sadness, kindle my love, discharge my fear, moderate my an-

anger: O Lord, grant me patience to bear thy holy Will in all things.

When I desire Grace, O sweet Jesus, to fulfill thy Commandment of Love and Charity, which is the end of thy Commandment, *where* shall I take my pattern but from thee, such a Lover as is Love himself? For whom didst thou not love? As for thy Disciples, thou didst love them as a kind Master doth his Scholars, and cherish them as a good Father doth his Children, and stile them with the Name of thy Friends. Thou didst stoop down to wash their Feet that were not worthy to untie thy shooe. Thou didst restore *Peter*, that had injured thee; thou didst save a Thief, that died with thee; thou didst confirm *Thomas*, that doubted of thee; thou didst forgive *James* and *John*, that asked too much of thee; thy bloody Persecuters and Crucifiers (who did curse and execrate themselves and their Children to do thee a mischief) they, even they, had thine earnest Prayers on the Cross, before thou didst dispose of thy Mother, or pray for thy self; yea, that *Judas* that betrayed thee, and sold thee for thirty *pence*, yet *made* no price of thee, but put it to a *What will you give me?* and took a base offer; thy *holy hands* did wash his *unclean feet*, and thy sacred lips did touch his prophane mouth.

O thou fountain of love, thou dost drench those that love thee in the streams of thy pleasures, and embalmest even thine enemies with

with the oyl of compassion, and hast loved Mankind with an everlasting love, grant that my love may be out of a pure heart and a good conscience, and of Faith unfeigned. Thou that wouldst be betrayed with a kiss, as it were to meet death in the middle way. Thou that didst reprove *Peter*, when he disswaded thee from it, and didst hasten on *Judas*, lest he should be too slack to bring thee to it, give me grace to die in thy favor, and bring me to life. Kindle, O kindle my desires to thee, enflame my heart with thankfulness to thee, inspire my soul with the fire of zealous love to thee, that for thy love to me, I may evermore love thee above all things, and my *Neighbour as my self.*

This is the *consummatum est*, O sweet Jesus, thou hast given me that which thou didst not owe me, and hast forgiven me that which I did owe thee; thou wast content to be the by-word of the people, and the curse of the Law for my sake. Blessed be thy Name, blessed be thy life, blessed be thy death, for thy Death is my Birth, thy Crown of Thorns is my Garland, the Scars of thy Body are the Stars of my Firmament; thy gracious Wounds are my happy Plaisters, thy bitter myrrh refreshed me, thine infirmities strengthen me, thy stripes heal me, and thy blood cleanses me.

Lo, I have nothing to take to but what I have from thee, therefore *Bone Jesu, esto mihi Jesus*, O good Jesus, make good thy good Name *Jesus* unto me, and let thy Passion work compassion for me, that by thy mercy I may obtain remission of my Sins, and by thy merits I may obtain everlasting salvation in the Kingdom of Heaven, *Amen.* *Amor meus crucifixus est.*

SUPPLICATIONS OF SAINTS.

The Second Part.

Paul and his Company.

Act. 21. 5.

They brought us on our way, with Wives and Children, and we kneeled down on the ſhore, and prayed.

Chryſoſtom. Tom. 2. in Johan. Hom. 1. Cap. 1.

Not only at Church, but at home alſo, let the Man and his Wife, the Father and the Children, ſpeak of thoſe things,

This Part contains Prayers for divers purpoſes to be uttered with company.

A Morning Prayer for private Families.

Mat. 18. 20. *Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

O Eternal God, and most merciful Father, which giveſt to them that want, comforteſt them which ſuffer, and forgiveſt them which repent; we ſinful Creatures ſue unto thee for Grace, hoping in thy mercy towards us, which is over all. Keep us, we beſeech thee, this day, as thou haſt kept us this night paſt; keep us in thy *fear*, *faith*, and *love*. Forgive us all our ſins in the *blood of thy Son*, teach us to *ſorrow for them*, and ſeparate them *from* us, that would *ſeparate us from thee*.

O Lord, remove from our minds all ignorance and blindneſs, and make thy Word unto us like the Star which led the *wiſe men* to Chriſt, and all thy works profitable inſtruments to draw us unto thee. Guide us with thy Spirit, that we may make Conſcience of all that we do, and never make light of any evil, but even abſtain from all appearance of it. Strengthen our weakneſs, and lighten our underſtanding, that in the brunt of Temptations we may diſcern between good and evil, right and wrong, and receive Comfort.

Give us the ſacred hunger and thirſt after righteouſneſs, that our firſt care may be to know thy truth; and let us ſo profit in the School of Chriſt, that in ſickneſs we may find patience, in priſon joy, in poverty contentment, and in all things hope.

Proſper

Prosper (O Lord) our labours, and the work of our hands, and give us hearts to learn something of every thing, and make a spiritual use of all our earthly actions and occasions, till we come to lodge with thee in the *Kingdom of Heaven*; let our loving affections grow one toward another unfeignedly, that we may love our Brethren, and they us, and pray for them, and they for us, and both of us be heard of thee for our selves, and one for another, and thy Son for us all.

Bless, Lord, the Universal Church with truth, peace, soundness of Doctrine, and holy Discipline. Continue thy mercies towards this Realm, preserve Their Gracious Majesties, and all the Royal Family; sanctifie the Studies and Lives of the Ministers of the Gospel, and all others that labour in thy *Word* and *Doctrine*. Bless their *Majesties* most honourable Privy Council, and all others in Authority, with necessary Graces.

Bless the Nurseries of good Learning, all Grammar-schools, the Famous Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, and the Inns of Court. Bless this City and Place wherein we live, remove the Punishments due for the sins thereof, and give them truly grace to repent in time, lest they be destroyed.

Bless all our Friends, Kinsfolk, and others, for whom thou hast appointed us to make Prayers and Supplications; strengthen them that suffer for this cause, and send them the comforts of thy Spirit: Comfort them that lie

lie in anguish of Conscience *for remorse of sin*, and convert them that go astray, and teach us by their examples to see our own weakness, and to look better to our ways. Bless this Family with grace and peace, that the Rulers, Children, and Servants *thereof* may all know their several duties, and practice the same in thy Fear, for Jesus Christ's sake our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

Another of the same.

Psal. 108. 3. *I will praise thee, O Lord, among the People, and I will sing praises unto thee among the Nations.*

O Lord God, most heavenly and merciful Father, tho' we be unworthy the least of thy Mercies, yet hast thou from time to time made us partakers of many, for which we praise and magnifie thy holy Name, beseeching thee to give us understanding hearts to *feel* our evils, and direction and assistance *from* thy Spirit, to avoid the same. And as *thou* hast in great mercy kept us this night, in the time of darkness and dangers, so we beseech thee to keep us this day, that the Son *of* Righteousness may rule in our hearts, and *all* the darkness that lurketh in them may be scattered to the *comfort of our Souls*, and we may walk as thy Children, in clear light without danger. Endue us with *Gifts* and *Graces* needful for us, and grant that with a pure and sincere Conscience we may use them to the benefit of our Brethren, and the discharge *of* our own duties. Keep the watch

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of our tongue, and the door of our lips, in such sort that no rash evil or vain words pass *thereby*, and so rule and govern our Hearts, that we may not mind or think *any thing*, but that which shall be to thy glory. Grant us thy blessing *of health*, *peace*, and *maintenance*, so far as thou seest them good *for* us, and especially thy holy Spirit to instruct us as well in the *wants* thereof, as in the *lawful use of them*. In all our consultations, words and works, let us remember thy presence, that thou seest us whersoever we do bestow our selves, and wilt judge us *if* we go astray and do amiss. Chase away *from* us all rancour and malice, covetousness, uncharitableness, and unkindness, and whatsoever is *contrary* to thy love, which is to us-ward in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Take from us all *ignorance* and *negligence*, with the want of *judgment* and *discretion*; and prevent all those things that thou knowest may hinder us in our Christian Calling. Encrease our *faith*, *patience*, and *obedience*. Let thy blessing be upon this whole Houshold, to lead us in thy truth, and protect us in our ways, and all those whom thou hast made dear unto us, whether they be present or absent. Be good to our Children, Servants and Friends, that live with us, that we may live together in the service of thy Gospel, to grow up in godly Conversation, and soundness of Faith. Give us Grace, by thy Corrections to fear thee more carefully, and to sorrow for our sins more heartily; O Lord, grant these things, and whatsoever else thou knowst to be necessary for us for Jesus Christs sake, *Amen*.

An Evening Prayer for private Families.

Psal. 116. 12. *What shall I render unto the Lord for all his Benefits towards me? Because he hath enclined his Ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.*

O Lord God, Father of Mercies, Creator of Heaven and Earth, we render unto thee thanks

thanks in all abundance for thy merciful preſervation of us this day, and all the times and days of our life, that thou haſt brought us ſafe and ſound thro' ſo many dangers, and poured upon us (contrary to our deſerving) ſo many excellent and notable bleſſings and benefits, both ſpiritual and corporal. Good Lord (we beſeech thee) keep us evermore, from day to day, as thou haſt done, and make us conſtant in the profeſſion of thy holy name, and the practiſe of thy law, that neither the violence of Man, nor ſubtilty of Satan, be able to make us to turn away from thee. Lord, turn thy face from our ſins, wherein we have ſo delighted, alter our hearts, and waſh and cleanſe us from all ſtains and corruptions, in the blood of thy Son. Forgive us all that is paſt, and grant us the aſſurance of that forgiveneſs, ſealed up in our Conſciences by thy holy Spirit. Kindle thy love ſo fervently in our Hearts, that we may deteſt whatſoever is againſt thee and thy Word.

Forgive us our great contempt and intolerable barrenneſs in good works, our foul unthankfulneſs, and the abuſe of thy grace, and ſtrike our ſtony hearts with the rod of thy fear, that we may attain unto a due thankfulneſs for thy benefits, and a moſt *unfeigned* and *earneſt Repentance* for our ſins.

O Lord, bleſs us all this night, that after our bodies have been refreſhed with competent *ſleep* we may ſee the light of the next morning, and riſe ſafe and ſound, to ſerve thee in our ſeveral vocations. Sanctifie our minds, that by the help of thy mercy we may enjoy the reſt of a quiet conſcience. Bleſs thy Church and her Miniſters; preſerve their Majeſties, protect the Magiſtrates of Juſtice, and all faithful people; rear up the heavy hearted that mourn in *Zion*, and turn the chaſtiſement of thy children to their good.

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Lord, be merciful unto them whom thou haſt made any way helpful unto us, and bleſs every one of us in our place, that we may truly ſerve thee, fear thy Majeſty, and love thy Authority. Theſe things (O Lord) and all other needful for us, we do crave at thy hands, in the Name, and for the Righteouſneſs of Jeſus Chriſt, our only Saviour and Redeemer, ſaying as he hath taught us, *Our Father, which art, &c.*

Another for the ſame.

Pſal. 113. 3. *From the riſing of the Sun, unto the going down of the ſame, the Lord's Name is to be praiſed.*

O Ever-living God, and our ever-loving Father, which haſt not left us comfortleſs, but haſt given us thy Son for a ranſom, thy Word for a guide, and reſerved a Kingdom for our *inheritance in Heaven*; we give thee thanks for theſe and all other thy moſt gracious benefits, beſeeching thee that we may have the grace to make ſuch uſe of them, that they may never be in vain unto us. O Lord, forgive us all our ſins, remove from us all thoſe things which our conſciences are afraid of. Aſſure us of thy gracious pardon, and renew us by thy Holy Spirit, that we may *unfeignedly* hate and deteſt whatſoever is diſpleaſing unto thee. Lord, give us a ſincere heart to ſerve thee; and let this be the hour of our *converſion*; in all temptations give us *ſtrength* to reſiſt and overcome, in all troubles *patience* to bear, and grant that we may conſtantly perſevere in our Faith, Hope and Patience, unto the end, that the hope of Mercy may keep us from the horror of deſpair, and the fear of Juſtice from the ſin of Preſumption.

O good God, order our times in ſuch comfortable ſort, that we having peace in thee, our bodies and minds may be the more able to do their

their ſeveral offices in our vocation. Inſtruct us by thy Word, guide us by thy Spirit, mollifie us by thy Grace, humble us by thy Corrections, and win us by thy Benefits.

O Lord, we beſeech thee, let all things work for the beſt to us, that deſire truly to love thee. Continue thy favour and goodneſs unto us this night, that we taking our natural reſt and quietneſs, may thro' thy protection be all defended from immoderate ſleep, fearful dreams, and outward violence of our enemies, and all eminent danger. Touch our hearts with a deſire and longing after Heavenly things, that whenſoever it ſhall pleaſe thee to call for us, we may be willing to come unto thee, as *Children* to their *Father*, *Strangers* unto their *Country*, and *Members of thy Body* unto the *Head*.

Grant us (O Lord) theſe and all other things needful and meet for us, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen*.

A Form of Prayer to ſerve for Morning and Evening in a Family.

O God of Glory, and Father of Mercy, eternal and incomprehenſible Majeſty, in whom we ſinful creatures do live, move, and have our being; favourably hear our unperfect Prayers, and mercifully grant our needful Suits.

Great is our Debt to thy *All-good Greatneſs*, for thy great goodneſs beſtowed upon us in our *Election*, *Creation*, and *Sanctification*, in our *Underſtanding*, *Health*, *Wealth*, and *Peace*, together with thy gracious preſervation of us this (*In the Morning*) Night paſt from Fire and Water, Thieves and Robbers, Death and Deſolation. (*At Evening*) Day paſt from wilful *ſinning*, deadly Hurts, Fire and Water, Thieves and Robbers.

Beſides our Maladies and Miſeries, which our for-

forgetfulneſs of thee, neglect of our ſelves, natural Corruptions, and diſability of Eſtate, might have brought upon us.

Behold, we are here before thy footſtool, with humble hearts, bended knees, and hands lifted up, adoring thy Majeſty, and praiſing thy Mercy for this and all other goodneſs received from thee, ſaying in the zeal of thy holy Prophet, *Bleſſed be the Lord God of Iſrael, from everlaſting to everlaſting, Amen and Amen.*

O Lord, look not upon our Unworthineſs, but turn thy Face from our Iniquities, and *look upon* the *obedience, ſatisfaction,* and *worthineſs* of thy Son Jeſus our Saviour, and forgive us all our ſins in his Blood, which thou waſt pleaſed *ſhould* be ſhed to that end; ſeparate them from us, as far as the Eaſt is from the Weſt, which would ſeparate us from thee as far as Heaven is from Hell; teach us to ſorrow and lament for them in true contrition, and with humbled and broken hearts; and hereafter let the powerful operations of thy all-ſufficient Grace ſo alter the nature of our judgments, that we may never make light of *any ſin*, be it never ſo much incident to the frailty of our life, but even deteſt every ill action, and abſtain from all appearance of it: Endue us, O good Father, with ſuch Gifts and Graces, as ſhall be needful and meet for us. Work and encreaſe in us Faith, Patience and Obedience to thee and thine Ordinances. In all our *conſultations, determinations, deſires, words,* and *works*, keep the cloſet of our Hearts, the door of our Lips, and the motion of our hands, that we may always ſtand in fear of thine all-ſeeing Eye, which looketh upon us; caſt out of our hearts all *idle, unclean,* and *vain thoughts*, evil imaginations, rancour, malice, uncharitableneſs, and whatſoever is contrary to thy bleſſed *Commandment*; and ſo guide us in thoſe things which thou

thou alloweſt, that with a ſincere and good *Conſcience*, we may do all that we do in the Name of the Lord, to the right diſcharge of our own duties, and the *benefits* and *furtherance* of our *Brethren*. Give us that ſacred hunger and thirſt after Righteouſneſs, (which thou haſt ſo bleſſed in thy holy Word) that our firſt care and earneſt deſire may be to know thy truth, and to do thy will with zeal and diſcretion, and when we are to undergo the trial of any temptation, ſupport and ſtrengthen us, that we may be able to diſcern between good and evil, truth and falſhood, right & wrong, fear and hope, to our comfort in all our meditations, in the *reading and hearing* of thy Holy Word, Lord, make it unto us the *ſavour of life unto life*, ſeaſoning and illuminating our hearts with thy unſpeakable light, like unto that uncouched Star which appeared to the *wiſe men*, that we thereby be led to Chriſt, the light of the *Gentiles*, and the glory of thy People of *Iſrael*, and that thereby we may ſo profit *in* his School, as that *in Sickneſs* we may *find Patience*, *in Afflictions Joy*, *in Poverty Contentment*, and in all things hope that thou wilt be ſtill our Father, and our God. And becauſe we are all Children of one Father, and one Mother, God and the Church, we pray thee to bleſs thy holy Church univerſal, and to comfort all them that mourn in *Zion*, *in conſcience* and *for conſcience*. Remember, O Lord, *Joſeph*'s Afflictions, *Paul*'s Bonds, *Mary Magdalens* Tears, *Job*'s Trials, *Lazarus*'s Sickneſs; and let *Stephen*'s Death be always dear in thy ſight. Let our loving affection ſo mutually grow one towards another, that we may live together in love, profeſſing with one heart, and one mind, a true faith, and labouring to keep a holy and acceptable *converſation*, that we may forgive our Brethren, and they us, to pray for them, and they for us; in the things of this world be helpful to them, & they to us: let thy bleſſing *be*

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this Houſhold, the Rulers, Children, and Servants thereof. Guide us in our ways, and lead us in thy truth, that every one of us may know our ſeveral Duties, and perform them in thy fear. Bleſs our *Parents*, *Kindred* and *Friends*, whereſoever they remain in this world; endue them all with gifts and graces needful and requiſite for their ſeveral eſtates, degrees and callings.

In the Morning.

Proſper our labours, and bleſs our juſt endeavours, in all the work which we are to take in hand this day, and ever; and give us thy bleſſing of health, peace, maintenance and ſafety.

At Evening.

O Lord, bleſs us all this night, and ſave us from noiſome dreams, ſudden incurſions, and all violent hands, and other dangers, that after our bodies have been refreſhed with competent ſleep to ſuffice Nature, we may ſee the light of the next morning, and ariſe ſafe and ſound, to ſerve thee in our ſeveral vocations, willingly and cheerfully. Good Lord, we beſeech thee grant us all theſe bleſſings, gifts, and graces, and whatſoever elſe thou knoweſt to be neceſſary for us. Hear us for thy Church, and thy Church for us, and thy Chriſt for us all, in whoſe Name and abſolute form of Prayer, we conclude theſe our weak requeſts unto thee, ſaying as he hath taught us, *Our Father, &c.*

A Prayer for the Catholick Church, and all the Eſtates thereof.

Pſ. 125. 4. *Do good (O Lord) unto thoſe that be good and to them that are upright in their hearts.*

O Son of the eternal God, thou ſweet Spouſe of the Church, bleſs, (we beſeech thee) preſerve and keep thy *poor Church* militant here on earth, the bleſſed company of all *faithful* People; make all Kings and Princes, and the ſupreme Go-

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vernour, of every Nation, careful Nurſing-Fathers and Nurſing-Mothers, to the ſame. Let all the Members thereof be of one mind, and one heart, that there may be ſuch holy Concord in the knowledge of thy Truth, and ſuch Obedience to their Superiors, with brotherly unity in all matters, as they may neither produce thy ſcourge, nor the Princes ſwords againſt them. Grant the Goſpel free paſſage, and long continuance in proſperity, and remove not the Candleſtick, for the unfruitfulneſs or unthankfulneſs of the Profeſſors. Put thy principal Spirit upon the Miniſters of the Word, the Archbiſhops, Biſhops and Paſtors of the ſeveral Congregations, and give them Grace to follow the ſteps of the holy Apoſtles and bleſſed Martyrs, that being inflamed with true Zeal, and furniſhed with ſufficient Knowledg, they may be willing to labour in ſeaſon and out of ſeaſon, for the feeding of thy flock. Bleſs their labours, to the winning of Souls to thee, and bleſs them with boldneſs of Speech, and innocency of Life, that, like ſworn Soldiers to the Croſs of Chriſt, they may live and die under thy Banner. Caſt down the Beams of thy Heavenly Light upon ſuch publick Places as are appointed for the Training up of younger Years in ſound Knowledg, and commendable Qualities, namely, our Univerſities, *Oxford* and *Cambridg*, the Inns of Court, and all Grammar Schools, the Seed-plats of the Church: Sanctifie their Memories to treaſure up good things

Purge their Conſciences to have Peace in thee; Reform their Wills to thy Will, and let all their Affections be ordered aright, and their Veſſels ſeaſoned with the beſt Liquor in the beginning, and ſo to continue. Bleſs the Higher Powers of Authority, make them truly Humble in the Top of their Height, that their heads being lifted up to Honour, their hearts may not be puffed up, nor ſwell with pride; but ſo rule their hearts and minds, that all Kings and Princes may truly ſerve thee, reverence and ſtand in awe of thee; defend and maintain thy Church and Truth, and wiſely fore-ſee what is beſt for the advancement of thy Glory, and the good of the Commonwealth. So deal alſo (*O Lord*) with all ſubordinate Authorities, and keep them from Factions, Treaſons and Conſpiracies. Let the Judges be learned and uncorrupt, and the Lawyers men of Conſcience, to deal ſincerely and uprightly in their buſineſs, without either fear of greater Perſonages, or doing of unlawful favours to friends, or deſire of reward from any. Calm the waves, and quiet the ſtorms of all Perſecutions, repreſs the rage and cruelty of all Tyrants, Heathen or Chriſtian. Take away all unchriſtian practices out of the Church of *Rome*; let it perſuade nothing to the infection of Youth, or ſubverſion of the State; confound all Hereſies and Hereticks, diſperſe all *Schiſms* and *Sects*, that there be no Jars, nor differences of Opinions among thy Servants, but that we

ve may be like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, and of one judgment. In ine (*O Lord*) comfort them that are overworn with War, wasted with Exactions, vexed with Plague and Sicknesses, consumed with Famine, overflown with Waters, and scared with fearful Threatnings from the Skies. Convert the simple, confound the Obstinate, gather the Dispersed, heal the Broken-hearted, supply our Wants, and amend all that is Amiss, for thy Truth, and for thy Name's sake, *Amen.*

Another for the same use.

Ephes. 5. 25, 26. *Christ loved the Church and gave himself for it, that he might sanctifie and cleanse it with the washing of Water by the Word.*

O Lord God, thou Just Master of the Vineyard, and loving Head of the Church, send down thy Holy Spirit into the Hearts of all them that Preach or Profess thy Holy Truth, all Men Religious and Secular, yea, Men and Women, Princes and Subjects, Rich and Poor, even all the People believing in thy Name, and depending upon thy Grace and Mercy. Give unto them, O Lord, *one Law, one Baptism, one Hope, one Spirit,* that there may be but one Voice, among all that profess the Catholick Faith. Keep back the Famine of thy Word, and send such Labourers into thy Harvest, as be sound in Doctrin, Faithful in their Work, and Godly in Conversation, that they may be in Number many, and in Power won-

wonderful and effectual. Open, we beſeech thee, the Hearts and Ears of the People, for the receiving of thy Word, that it may *dwell with them plentifully in all Wiſdom*, and bring forth Fruit againſt all the Cares, Croſſes, and Courſes of this wretched World. O Lord, thou haſt found Iniquity in thy Saints, and the Heavens are not clean in thy ſight: O then correct us in thy Judgment, not in thy Fury, leſt we ſhould be conſumed and brought to nothing. Purge the Garden of thy Church, and let no Weeds overgrow the Flowers. Suffer neither ſin nor ſuperſtition to choke the good growth of faith or manners in thy people, but keep them from all Evil, Hereſies, fantaſtical Opinions, ſeducing Spirits, and deadly Contentions: Keep our necks from the grievous yoke of Antichriſtian Bondage, whoſe Religion is Rebellion, whoſe Faith is Faction, and whoſe Practice is the Murthering of *Souls* and *Bodies*; and repreſs the furiouſneſs of Tyrants, which labour for nothing but the Spoil of the Church, and the aboliſhment of true Doctrin, Prayer, and true Religion. O Lord Jeſus, amend all that is amiſs, and grant us thy Grace all the days of our Life, even for thy Truth, and for thy Name's ſake, *Amen*.

A Prayer for Their Majeſties, Royal Kindred, and Family.

Eccleſ. 10. 17. *Bleſſed art thou, O Land, when thy King is the Son of Nobles.*

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O Almighty God, King of all Kings, the Fountain, Rule, and Stay of all Soveraignty; we most humbly thank thee, that thou hast not left us unto our selves, to do what seemeth best in our own eyes, but hast set over us a Noble, Wise and Gracious King and Queen, *William* and *Mary*, thy Servants, our Supream Heads and Governours, next under thee. Lord, make all thy Goodness and Grace to go before Them day and night: uphold Their Crowns, maintain Their State, give Them continual Peace, long Life, and much Happiness: Endue Them with Wisdom and Understanding in the Church and Commonwealth, as may be acceptable in thy sight, profitable to all Their Subjects, and hurtful to none that love thy Truth; Mercifully hear Them in all Their Petitions, and effectually work for Them in all Dangers in the Day of Battel; in Their greatest Consultations; in the time of Their Recreations, in the Plots of Treason, and all other wicked Designs of Their Enemies, and in the Hour of Death. Make us thankful for all thy Preservations of Them, both at home and abroad, in this Kingdom, and elsewhere: Bless, Preserve, and keep Them, and the rest of the Royal Family. Let Them always embrace thy Truth, and manfully maintain it against all treacherous Plots, and sinister Perswasions. Let thy Power always go forth with Their Armies, and give them Glorious Victories, banish from their

Court all Privy Foes, Foreign and Domestical, and keep Them from all sorts of Dissemblers.

Let not our Sins (*O Lord*) provoke thee to shorten their days, and deprive us of thy good Blessings, but convert us to thy good Will and Pleasure, and give Them the Crown of Old Age, long and long to continue in the ways of Righteousness.

O holy Father, give Them such excellent Gifts, as befit the Majesty which They bear; that They may be in Faith like *Abraham*, in Courage like *David*, in Wisdom like *Solomon*, and in hearing good and evil as an Angel of God. Enrich their Council and Nobles with Wisdom, Loyalty, and Fortitude: and make Their Servants that stand before Them in their several places (with all other Subjects) as so many Lines drawn to one Center, that their Hearts being tied unto Them, they may be always fearful to offend, willing to obey, and faithful to accomplish, whatsoever may stand with thy glory, our Sovereigns honour, and the good of thy Church and Commonwealth, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another for the same use.

2 Tim. 1. 2. *Let Supplications, Prayers, Intercessions, and giving of Thanks, be made for all Men; for Kings, and for all those that are in Authority.*

O Almighty God, which hast the King and Queens Hearts in thy hand, as the Rivers

vers of Waters, and turnest them whithersoever it pleaseth thee; we humbly beseech thee to keep thy Universal Church, and our Commonwealth, with peace and prosperity in thy Worship and Service. Give (*O Lord*) Grace unto our most Noble King *William* and Queen *Mary*, that They may love, honour, fear and serve thee, and that They may put Their trust only in thee: Endue them with the spirit of Wisdom and Knowledg, and with all other good gifts and vertues necessary for Their Royal Function: and especially enflame Their Hearts with an earnest and true zeal, to set forth thy glory, and to make thy Will known unto all Their Subjects, that they may both with heart and mind observe and keep the same; and that both with heart and mind Their subordinate Magistrates may indifferently and faithfully minister Judgment and Justice to all Their people.

We beseech thee (O Lord) preserve Their Bodies in health, Their minds in quietness, and both in all sincerity and goodness; that by their good examples They may both stop the mouths of his Adversaries, and win the hearts of all those that believe and profess thy Gospel: Make Their days (*O Lord*) *as the days of Heaven.* That they may Reign many years over us, and we Their Subjects may long live a peaceable and quiet life, in all godliness and honesty under Their Sacred Government.

Grant unto them wise and faithful Coun-

ſellors, loving and obedient Subjects, dutiful and true Servants. Deliver them (*O Lord*) from all Conſpiracies, Treaſons, and other dangers, and grant Them always a glorious victory over all Their Enemies.

Pardon and forgive Them all Their ſins, make Them walk all the days of their lives in the ways of thy Comandments, that they may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and that in the Reſurrection of all fleſh, They may receive a Crown of Righteouſneſs, the only thing which They do wiſh and hope for, through the merits and mercies of Jeſus Chriſt, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer againſt the Temptation of the World, the Fleſh, and the Devil.

Mat. 24. 14. *Watch and Pray, that ye enter not into Temptation.*

O Moſt Merciful and Mighty God the fortreſs of the Faithful, a Rock of Defence, and Refuge for all diſtreſſed Souls, which knoweſt we be ſet in the midſt of ſo great dangers, that without thy help we cannot avoid our ruin; I beſeech thee, keep my Body and Soul from all Temptations and Snares of the Devil, and ſuffer not my Senſes to range and wander abroad in matters of Pleaſures and Delight, which are to no purpoſe. Good Lord, take from me that which is deformed and polluted by my corrupt Nature, and work and eſtabliſh that which thy Grace hath

hath wrought in me, that having thy whole Armour fitted unto me, I may be able to withſtand all aſſaults of the Enemy. Let me not be drawn away by ſenſuality, or any of the deſires of the fleſh, but give me power to tame this body, that by ſobriety, moderation, and abſtinence from ſuperfluous things, I may bring it into ſuch ſubjection, as I may better ſerve thee, and walk in the Spirit: Lord Sequeſter me from the darkneſs, filthineſs and deceitfulneſs of this world, that I be not faſhioned like thereunto, to follow the multitude, but being changed by the renewing of my mind, I may walk uprightly and godlily, looking for the bleſſed appearing of my Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. O Lord, be favourable and gracious to me in the day of trial; and lead me no farther into any Temptation, than thou wilt make me able to bear: Grant, O Lord, that I may with ſtrong Faith reſiſt Satan, and by watching, faſting and prayer, mortifie the luſts of the fleſh; and by continual Meditation of thy holy Law avoid the fooliſh vanities and dangerous pleaſures of this world.

Let not knowledg puff me up, proſperity miſlead me, poverty diſmay me, ſickneſs turn me to impatiency, nor this life bring me to diſtruſt in thy Providence, or force me to ſeek unlawful means to win them.

Arm me (O Lord) with thy Spirit; encourage me with thy preſence, and ſet all thy

children feel the effectual working of thy power, which is ever made perfect through weakneſs, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Remiſſion of Sins, and all things neceſſary thereto.

Pſal. 106. 6. *We have ſinned with our Fathers, we have committed iniquity, and we have done wickedly.*

O Lord God, in Greatneſs Infinite, in Power Omnipotent, in Counſel Wonderful, and in Judgment terrible; altho' I miſerable ſinner have by thy Juſtice truly deſerved everlaſting damnation for my horrible ſins, yet I beſeech thee caſt me not away with them that have not known thee, or ſuch as forget God, or ſuch as run on in their wickedneſs, and never ſay, What have I done? for I appeal from thy rightful Juſtice, to thine unſpeakable mercy, and humbly caſt down myſelf at thy feet, and confeſs my ſins, beſeeching and begging compaſſion and pardon.

Behold, Lord, I am a piece of that purchaſe that coſt ſo great a price as the Blood of thy dear Son, my body and ſoul are the Temples of the Holy Ghoſt, the poſts whereof are ſprinkled with his precious Blood, which crieth for Mercy, and therefore enter not into the courſe of Judgment with me (for there I know I ſhall be overthrown) but forbear, forgive and acquit me upon that ſatisfaction which

which he hath made for penitent ſinners.

O Lord tho' the ſtipend of my ſin be death, and merit of my Tranſgreſſion Eternal Perdition; yet is thy Mercy above all thy Judgments, and thou canſt forgive more than I can offend; wherefore I pray thee, ſet his Croſs and Paſſion between thy Judgments and my Soul; look upon me with the eye of Mercy and Compaſſion, as thou didſt upon the ſinful Woman at the Banquet, and the Publican in the Temple, whoſe Pardons are regiſtred in thy Book for my comfort.

O Lord, bow down the height of thy Deity to behold my vileneſs and miſery (a lively Image of the Prodigal Son) who know no other help but only thee, the moſt loving Father, whom I have ſo highly offended. Pour the Oyl of thy Mercy into my defiled and fainting heart; ſearch it, that I may not flatter my ſelf to extenuate my Sin: Cleanſe it and ſeaſon it with the Salt of thy Grace, to receive and retain all goodneſs hereafter. Lord, I thank thee for thy patience and long-ſuffering, that thou haſt not ſuddenly (according to my deſert) taken vengeance on me, but given me a longer time of repentance; wherefore I beſeech thee appeaſe thy anger towards me now, but looſen in me the works of darkneſs. Create in me a new heart; and becauſe thou lookeſt for my amendment, I beſeech thee grant me thy favour, that I may amend: Give me grace to repent unfeignedly,

ly, with fasting, weeping and mourning and make my Faith lively to believe that I am forgiven in Jesus Christ.

Let not the faults of my forefathers light upon my head, who have walked in their sinful steps; neither be angry with me for their sakes: but let the well-doing of Jesus Christ, who hath shed his Blood for me, succour me, and procure my Pardon. Forgive me all my sins of Youth and Age, Negligences and Ignorances, Thoughts, Words and Deeds; and keep me from presumptuous sins. O Lord, look not upon the *Pharisee*, for he dissembleth; nor upon the *Publican* first, for he saith little for himself in outward shew; nor upon *Mary Magdalen* only, for she had but seven Devils; but look upon me, that am of Sinners the chief, worse than either *Pharisee*, *Publican*, or *Mary*, who have as many sins as hairs upon my head, and a greater clog upon my Conscience, than any burthen that Man hath to bear, and do therefore openly, earnestly, unfeignedly and continually call upon thee. O Lord, keep under Satan, that he drive not my Soul upon the Rocks of despair; quench all the Motions of my Mind, striving against thy Divine Pleasure, and restore in me the Image of thy Son, that I may Live in thy fear, Die in thy favour, Rest in thy Peace, Rise in thy Power, and Remain in thy Glory, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

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A Prayer for obtaining of Faith, Hope and Charity, and all Christian Vertues.

Phil. 4. 19. *My God shall supply all your wants according to his Riches in Glory, to Jesus Christ.*

O Father of Light, in whom is every good thing, and every perfect Gift, I beseech thee to bless me with all Spiritual blessings in Heavenly things in Christ. Increase the little grain of my weak and feeble Faith, direct it to the true Object, the Merits of Christ Jesus, and let it not be bare and dead; but effectual, working by love. Make me strong therein, and constant to give credit to thy Word, without doubting, and protect me among the divers and manifold Errors, Sects, and Heresies of the World, that fight against the Foundation. Lord, let not be disappointed of my hope which I have in thee, and make good thy promises unto me, and so work in my heart, that I may have courage in conflict, patience in trouble, and comfort in all things. Keep me from Insolency and Pride, and grant me true Humility and Lowliness of Mind, that I be not puffed up to contemn my Brethren; but give me that due consideration of mine own vileness and infirmities, that as dust and ashes I may tremble and stand in awe of thy Judgments, and as a sinful man, esteem better of others, than of my self.

O dear Father, when Satan shall accuse me,

me, my Conſcience be witneſs againſt me, the whole world forſake me and all things ſet themſelves againſt me, for my ſins, then ſtrengthen me (I beſeech thee) in thy Faith, that I fall not from thee; inflame my cold heart with the heavenly affection of unfeigned love, that I may love thee (O bleſſed Trinity) with all that I have, above all, and my Neighbour as my ſelf.

Grant me a compaſſionate and charitable mind to help and ſuccour others to my ability, to forbear and forgive them, tho' they be mine enemies: Purge my Veins, and ſuffer not the ſtinking poyſon of envy and wrath to infect my blood; and ſo moderate my affection, that the Sun go not down upon my wrath, but that I may be ſatisfied in knowing that vengeance is thine: Give me grace to follow the examples of all painful and godly labouring men in matters of my vocation, and keep me from the hateful ſin of ſloth and idleneſs, the nouriſher of Vice, and the high way to Beggery. Grant me a contented mind againſt covetouſneſs, a moderate appetite againſt gluttony and ſurfeits, and a chaſte body from diſordered luſt. Comfort me, O Lord, in all grievous accidents, and at the point of death, and give me grace to faſten all my confidence in thee, that whereas now I ſee by Faith only (as it were in a glaſs darkly) I may then ſee face to face the only thing which I deſire and hope for, through Jeſus Chriſt, *Amen*.

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A Prayer before the receiving of the Holy Communion.

1 Cor. 11. 26. *As often as ye eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, ye do ſhew the Lord's Death until he come.*

O Lord God, merciful Father, which after the Sacrament of Regeneration hath appointed us to receive oft-ſoon the bleſſed Sacrament of the Supper, inſtituted by our Saviour Chriſt immediately before his death, for confirmation of our Faith; have mercy upon me vile wretch, who for my natural corruptions and manifold tranſgreſſions, am not worthy to approach unto thy Table, or come near thy House.

O Gracious God, pardon me, and diſdain not to accept me into thy favour, but forgive me all my ſins that I have done, or ſaid, or thought, in pride, wrath, envy, gluttony, ſloth, covetouſneſs, or wantonneſs: Give me a true and lively Faith to believe thy Word, and the promiſe of my pardon annexed to thy Sacrament.

Inflame me with love and charity towards all men, to forgive and forget, to do good, to pray for them, that I may follow the ſteps of my Bleſſed Saviour. Open the eyes of my underſtanding, and help me to examine my ſelf concerning my Knowledg, Faith and Repentance. Give me to hunger and thirſt after this Righteouſneſs, ſatisfie me with this heavenly

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food, make me verily partaker of all the Benefits of his Paſſion. O dear Lord Jeſus, ſince thou haſt ſuffered ſo many things for my ſake, and haſt commanded me not to deſpair, or diſtruſt thy goodneſs, grant me grace ſo to eat of this Bread, and to drink of this Cup, worthily, that I may continually remain in thy grace and favour. O Lord God, the Father, give me the full conſolation of this Myſtery, and commemoration of that moſt precious death of thy Son, and our *Saviour* Jeſus Chriſt, that my Faith may be increaſed, my Hope confirmed, my Charity enflamed, my weak Conſcience comforted, all dangers repelled, and my Soul aſſured of her Salvation in the Blood of Chriſt: Let no prophaneneſs enter into my heart, ſo long as I am about this holy action; but give me grace to receive with purity of heart, and cleanneſs of Soul, with love, dread, and ſtedfaſt faith.

Have mercy upon me, good Lord, that by unworthy receiving I be not guilty of his precious Body and Blood, who came down from Heaven, lived with men, and ſwam through a red Sea of Blood in his Agony and Paſſion to be my Redeemer. Have mercy upon the whole Church; and to this purpoſe, have mercy upon this Company, with whom I now (by thy mercy) communicate in theſe holy Myſteries, that they may ſerve and pleaſe thee in this holy ſervice, and all other actions of their life, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

Ano-

Another of the ſame before the Communion.
Cor. 11. 28. *Let a man examine himſelf, and ſo let him eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup.*

O Almighty God, and merciful Father, I am a ſecret ſinner, and my heart is a bottomleſs pit of all Corruptions; wilfully and fooliſhly, ignorantly and obſtinately, have I ſinned againſt thee, unto whoſe eye all the ſecrets of my Soul lie open: But now I come unto thee, as a ſick man to the Phyſician, as an unclean man to the Well of Mercy and Grace, offered in the precious Blood-ſhedding of Jeſus Chriſt, and repreſented to my Soul in this Bleſſed Sacrament. Have mercy upon me (*O Lord*) have mercy upon me, and forgive me all the evils that I am guilty of: Give me grace that I may diſcern the Lord's Body, and ſo receive it ſpiritually, and by faith in this Sacrament, with ſuch chaſtity of Body, humbleneſs of Mind, thankfulneſs of Soul, hearty contrition, and dread reverence, as is meet for ſo high a Myſtery.

O Lord Jeſus, it is truly ſaid of thee, that thou didſt receive ſinners and eat with them, and I verily believe that thou art the ſame full, full of goodneſs and mercy; wherefore beſeech thee, leave me not to my ſelf, reject me not from thy Table. Come into my heart and purge me from all *filthineſs* of the fleſh, and of the ſpirit. Enter into my Soul,

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out. O Lord, be not angry with me a ba
ren and dry Tree, a Creature with a face
Braſs, and heart of Flint. I have not ſh
ſo many tears as are ſufficient to waſh t
feet with *Mary Magdalen*; but thou haſt ſh
as much of thine own Blood, as ſufficeth
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World: Then be not angry with me, *O Lo*
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mercy pardon my ſins, let thy holy Spi
prepare my Soul, thy merits enrich my p
verty, and thy moſt precious Blood waſh
way all the ſpots of my life, that I may wo
thily receive this heavenly Sacrament, ſo th
I may be ſtrengthened thereby, and throug
ly filled with the heavenly Food of thy Bo
and Blood, for the mortification of the o
man, and the confirmation of my Soul.
Lord, hear my Prayers, and grant my R
queſts, I beſeech thee, *Amen.*

A Prayer after the receiving of the Holy Communion.

1 Cor. 5. 7. *Purge out therefore the old leaven that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened: For even Chriſt our Paſſover is ſacrificed for us.*

O Jeſus, the Son of God, my Lord an
Saviour, with all humble and heart
thanks I praiſe thee for ſuffering death upo
the Croſs for my ſins, and admitting me
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miſerable ſinner to the participation of this Bleſſed Sacrament, the memorial of my Redemption. Let me (O Lord) find and feel in my heart the inviſible power of thy heavenly Grace, effectually working the tranſformation of me into thee, the wonderful union of me with thee, thy ſpiritual habitation and abode in me.

Apply all thy merits and good things unto my Soul. Let me never doubt the forgiveneſs of my ſins, but ever open the door of this Sanctuary to me, that I may run thither in my greateſt need, and apprehend thy gracious pardon, ratified by the Seal of thy Covenant.

Quicken me (O Lord) in this life, revive and renew me, that I may *diſclaim* my old converſation, and become a new man Keep me that I ſlip not out of this building, nor become as a branch cut off and good for nothing: but as thou haſt ſevered me from the wicked, in calling me to the knowledge of thee, ſo keep me from all their corruptions. Give me a perfect Love towards thee, that I may not delight in any thing but in thee, nor ſeek any other Honour but thine.

O Lord Jeſus, I meekly beſeech thee, let thy holy Spirit ſtrengthen me againſt my frailty, thy power and ſtrength defend me againſt worldly troubles and adverſities, thy Merits purchaſe my needful pardon, and thy Blood be the Medicine for all my Sores, even for thy Name ſake, *Amen.*

Ano-

Another of the same, after the Communion.
Joh. 15.13. *Greater Love hath no Man than this that a Man lay down his Life for his Friends.*

O Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, which hast so loved mankind, that thou hast been contented not only to become one with him, but also meat unto him, and to die for him upon the Cross; Grant I beseech thee, that this my receiving of this Sacrament, may be a true testimony unto my Conscience, that I have through faith in thee receiv'd full remission of all that is past, and am become as it were a new creature in thy sight.

O sweet Jesus, which hast vouchsafed me such favour and honour as to come to thy Table, and feed upon thee; grant me grace I humbly entreat thee, so to perform and fulfil my duty, as this honour which thou hast done to me requireth; link me unto thee, and give me power and strength to believe thy Promises without distrust, and to shew my Religion by my good life and conversation. Assist me with thy Grace, that I may walk worthy of this Blessed *Sacrament*, to love thee and thy Law unfeignedly, and utterly to forsake vanity, idolatry, carnal desires, and all the works of the Devil.

Lord God, so moderate, and order all mine affections, that I may be joyned with the Brethren together in holy love, which is the bond of peace, and truly fastned unto thee my

ny head for ever. Stir up my mind, that I may always consider the bitterness of thy death, the greatness of thy love, and never forget to be thankful to thee.

O blessed Lord, preserve and maintain this Ordinance amongst us, that it may be always a note and badge of our publick profession, and give us all one heart, and one mind, in the unity of the Spirit, from the reverend and worthy receiving of the same whensoever we shall come to thy holy Table again, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Fruits of the Earth, and other nourishment of this mortal life.

Psal. 104. 27. *All wait upon thee (O Lord) that thou mayest give them their meat in due season.*

O Eternal God, which feedest with thy blessing every living thing, and satisfiest the lawful desires of thy servants with thy bountiful Goodness, we wretched sinners, unworthy of the least of thy benefits, do most humbly beseech thee to be pleased to bless all the fruits of the earth, that we and all thy servants may be partakers of thy comforts therein, for the nourishment of this life.

Give us, O Lord, this day our daily bread, prepare our Ground, and prosper our Corn. Bless the seed-time with the first and latter Rain in their due season, and meet temperature of Air. Keep our Fruits while they be in

in the Earth from Hail and Thunder, from exceſſive droughts, and overmuch rain, from mildews, and all noiſome worms. Send us a joyful Harveſt, and give a bleſſing to that which we ſhall reap, that for our unthankfulneſs it waſte not away without relief. Increaſe our Cattel, with all other proviſion which we ſhall carefully labour for. Repleniſh our basket, and bleſs our ſtore, that we may have wherewith as to furniſh our ſelves, ſo to give ſome relief to others. Protect our Servants and Work-folks, that they may be ſtrong to labour, wiſe to forecaſt, and faithful in their buſineſs. Keep our Garners, Barns and Store-houſes, from fire and boiſterous Winds, Thieves, and ſudden Inundations: Proſper our Works and Travels, whether by Sea or Land, and bleſs and proſper them that any way labour for any of thoſe things that we ſhall have occaſion to uſe.

Send remedy (O Lord) for all hardneſs and miſery, turn our dearth into cheapneſs, and our ſcarcity into plenty. Open the hearts of rich men, to whom thou haſt given much, that they may have a charitable reſpect of the poor at all times. Help us (O Lord) and give us ſuch things as we ſtand in need of, and make us to deſire ſuch things only as may be pleaſing unto thee; to ſearch them wiſely, and find them eaſily. Oppreſs us not with too much Poverty, neither puff us up with too much Plenty, but give us a com-

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ry and our comfort, through Jeſus Chriſt
r Lord, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Friends and Benefactors,

Pet. 4. 8. *Charity ſhall cover the multitude of Sins.*

O Lord, which haſt ſaid, *That he that giveth unto the Poor, lendeth unto the Lord, and look what he layeth out, it ſhall be paid him again*: We beſeech thee to be Gracious and merciful unto all thoſe for whom we are bound to pray by Nature, by Deſert, or any other Duty whatſoever, all our Benefactors and Friends alive, even all thoſe our Parents, Kinsfolks, and others, which have brought us up, taught, promoted, or any way revived us. Bleſs them with all bleſſings, that have done good, either to our Bodies with temporal benefits, or our Souls with profitable inſtructions. Bleſs their Eſtates, that in their godly diſpoſition they may have always wherewith to relieve and comfort others in their diſcretion: Give them the Conſolation of the Holy Ghoſt, to the keeping of Faith and a good Conſcience. And as they have ſhewed mercy unto us, and comforted us; ſo Lord, help and comfort them in their greateſt need, that both they and their families may both have comfort in their Eſtate and Condition here, and find mercy with thy Son our Sa-

Saviour Jesus at the latter end; Lord, let their Alms-deeds and Prayers be always in thy sight as those of *Cornelius*, that as they have been unto us an Odour that smelled sweet, whereby we have received plenty, and been filled; so they may be as Sacrifices acceptable and pleasant unto thee. Vouchsafe this grace (O Lord) that we be not guilty of any ingratitude towards them, but rather ready, according to our abilities, to recompence them, if need require.

Let not that which they have bestowed upon us, be cast away, but make it fruitful and us worthy of it. Grant this, O thou God which dost good both to the just and unjust for Jeus Christ his sake our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another in time of War.

Psal. 74. 18. *Remember this that the Enemy hath reproached thee, O Lord; and that the foolish people have blasphemed thy Name.*

O God, Mighty in Battel, we beseech thee bear not in mind our vile deserts, but of thy mercy pity thy poor afflicted, endangerd and persecuted Church. Consider and behold, how they which hate thy Sanctuary, are now up in arms to root us out from the *earth* for our profession of the Truth. Therefore, O Lord, we pray thee maintain thine own *Cause*. Bless our Forces by Sea and Land, and grant to the people one heart, one mind, and one strength

trength. Give unto the Counſellors and Cap-
ains, Wiſdom and Courage wiſely to foreſee,
nd valiantly to defeat the Devices of their
Enemies. Keep all the Soldiers from Treaſon
nd Treachery, the Leaders from wrong Plots,
he People from Tumults, and all of them from
hoſe ſins and enormities that follow the *Camp*,
nd the evil that may juſtly follow the ſame.
Strengthen (O Lord) and hold up the hand
f *Moſes*, and the weapons of the Church, *Pre-
es & Lachrymæ*, that our Faſting and Prayer
ay be heard, and *Iſrael* may have the Victory.
ut *Siſera* to flight in thy good time; and ra-
her than he return to do miſchief, bring him
o his end by a hand unlook'd for. Turn the
eapons of him and his followers into their
wn boſoms; ſcatter, break and ſink their Ships;
eſtroy their Armies, and confound their For-
es. Conſider, O Lord, the end of our Enter-
rizes, how we fight for thy truth, and either
econcile us to our Enemies by thy Spirit, to
orſhip one God and hold one Truth, or elſe
ate their pride, and confound them in their
alice, to thy honour and glory, for Jeſus
hriſt's ſake, our only Lord and Saviour,
men.

Another in time of War.

Pſal. 34. 17. *The Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.*

O Lord God of Hoſts, that hath hereto-
fore ſundry times miraculouſly defend-
d us, we beſeech thee, ſhew thy ſelf in this

needful time: Bleſs and preſerve us, who have repoſed our truſt only in thee. Bleſs our Armies abroad, which are joyned together for the defence of thy Truth, and the ſafety of our Country; Sanctifie us likewiſe at home, to pleaſe thee, that whatſoever they or we do may proſper.

Be preſent and Preſident at all their Conſultations, and give thou the caſting voice in all determinations. Suggeſt Heroical motions into the hearts of their Leaders: Baniſh all heart-burnings and diviſions: And aſſiſt them with the ſpirit of Unity and Concord, that they may ſtrive all one good way. Make them wiſer than their Enemies: Yea, give them more Experience than the Aged, and better Intelligence, and more ſound Advertiſement than their Foes. Lord, anoint their Shields, bleſs their Swords, hallow and conſecrate all their Weapons and Engines of War, with happy ſucceſs to do thy Will.

Bleſs the ſeaſon of the Year unto them, and ſweeten the cloſe Air in their multitudes, that neither Sun nor Moon annoy them, nor alteration of the diet or place diſable them from their Service. Command the Winds and Sea to favour them, and let the Land ſpeak Peace unto them. *O Lord*, diſappoint the Counſels and Power of thine Enemies, and make a joyful Peace for thy Servants through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Comfort to the Sick Persons.

oſ. 6. 1. *Come and let us return unto the Lord: For he hath torn, and he will heal us: He hath ſmitten, and he will bind us up.*

O Moſt gracious God, and loving Father, which giveſt Health, to make us the etter to acknowledge thee, and thy libera-y towards us; and ſometimes ſends Sick-eſs to recal us to amendment when we have nned againſt thee: We thy humble Servants, r this and all thy Servants thus afflicted, humbly beſeech thee, not to enter into a vere Judgment with him for his life and con ton, but in remembrance of thine own Mer-, to forgive him his ſins, and upon the ſa-ſfaction of thy Son, to acquit him of thy dgments: *O Lord*, grant him a true zeal of y Holy Name, and all affections agreeable thy bleſſed Will, that he may rightly re-ive the gracious offers of thy great mercy: ualifie, Lord, all theſe troubles, which either e grievouſneſs of his ſin remembred, or the tterneſs of his pangs ſuſtained, the ſubtilty the Common Enemy, or the fear of Death ay bring upon him, and lay no more upon m, O Lord, than he ſhall be able to bear. eak comfortably unto his Soul, as thou haſt ne unto all thoſe that have ſought for com-rt in the like extremities or tribulations. ſpoſe and move his heart to receive this y Fatherly Correction and gracious Viſita-n, with the Patience of *Job*, the Faith of

Abraham, the Joy of *Paul*, the Courage of *P*
ter, and a true Submiſſion to thy bleſſed W
either for Life or Death; and tho' that th
outward Senſes, the Tongue and Voice,
not ſo quick as they have been to praiſe th
and pray unto thee, yet, Lord, we beſee
thee ſtir up his heart, inflame and inſpire
mind to perform all ſuch things as thou
quireſt, and may be profitable for his So
in this Combate and Extremity.

Apply (O Lord) the holy and wholeſo
Medicines of thy Son's Paſſion, Death, a
Reſurrection unto the Soul of this poor C
ture, againſt the extremity of fear, faintn
doubt and deſperation. Take away the e
tremity of his pain, mitigate his ſorro
make his bed, wipe all his tears from his e
and eaſe his careful Conſcience: Comfort
at the hour of his departure; when thou ſ
call, open to him the Gate of Mercy; o
thine arms to receive him into thy fav
that when the time is come, he may go to
Grave in Peace, being upholden by thee,
the aſſurance of a free Pardon for all his
and the hope of a joyful Reſurrection.
in the mean time (*O Lord*) ſettle his ſpi
that they do not wander or fly out into
unruly motions. Continue his remembra
that he may not forget thee, but daily
hourly have thee in mind, which art the A
chor of his ſafety. Keep his Tongue fro
vain and idle talk, his heart from all fe

nd protect him safe under thy Wing. Be merful unto us, who as feeling Members of one ody, adore thy Holy Name, and implore thy ivine Help for this thy Servant, and let this xample teach us more Humility, Fear, and everence towards thee now, and ever. Hear our Prayers, O Lord, for Jesus Christ is sake, *Amen.*

Another for Comfort to the Sick.

James 5. 15. *The Prayer of Faith shall save the Sick, and the Lord shall raise him up: And if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.*

O Lord God, which both in Sickness and Health hast appointed us to pray one for another, promising a Blessing in greatest extremities; we poor sinners, present ourselves before thy Majesty, in the behalf of this thy poor Servant, that lieth visited under thy hand: Good Lord, we beseech thee, seal in his heart, by thy Holy Spirit, the forgiveness of all his sins. Let the sweet feeling, and taste of a lively Faith, dispel all the filthy Corruptions that are in him, that his Body and Soul may be presented pure and undefiled unto thee in the Blood of thy Son.

Lord, lay not to his charge what he hath said, or done amiss, throughout all the whole course of his life, but rear him up in hope, speak comfortably unto his Soul, and lead him by thy Spirit unto the Treasures of thy Mercy. Take from him the fear and sorrow of Death; raise the Siege of his Spiritual Ene-

mies that are round about him, and give him ſtrength againſt all the Aſſaults of the Devil that he may have a perfect Victory; let the knowledge of thee (which he hath learned ſince thou didſt call him) ſtand him now in ſtead, and relieve his Faith, that he may have true Repentance, and yield unto thee true Obedience, and hearty Thanks for whatſoever thou ſhalt do unto him.

O Lord, give unto him a taſte of thy Glory, and thoſe Joys which thou haſt prepared for him, that in the comfort thereof he may fight a good Fight, keeping the Faith; and when the time of his departure ſhall come, give him grace willingly to forſake this preſent evil World, to die in thy favour, and to live with thee for ever. Grant this (O Lord) for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer before a Man undertakes a Journey by Sea or Land.

Exod. 13. 20, 21. *So they took their Journey, and the Lord went before them by day in a Pillar of a Cloud, to lead them in the way, and by night in a Pillar of Fire, to give them light.*

O Lord God, thou keeper of *Iſrael*, who preſerveſt our going out, and our coming in, into thy hands I commit my ſelf, and all that I have either at home or abroad. In the Name of Jeſus, that was wearied in his Journey, and ſat down upon the Well, I beſeech thee to direct my paths in this my Journey,

Journey, as thou didſt *Jacob* in his Journey to *Laban*, *Jonah* at Sea, and the Children of *Iſrael* in the Wilderneſs, and paſſing over *Jordan*. Grant me Health, Strength and Courage, and refreſh me when I am weary; keep me from all the hands of Spoilers, the ſlights and deceits of Thieves and Robbers, and from ſavage Beaſts. Grant that whereſoever I come I may find godly Men, which may Honeſtly, Religiouſly and Courteouſly entertain me. Keep me from lewd Company, that I partake not of their wickedneſs: But let thy fear be always before mine eyes, to avoid all wandring paths.

Shew me (*O Lord*) in the day-time thy comfortable Pillar of Cloud, and in the night thy Pillar of Fire, that both day and night I may ſee to eſcape the hands of all mine Enemies, and they may be afraid to attempt any thing againſt me, when they ſhall ſee thy wonderful Protection of me.

Make me partaker of all good Prayers: furniſh me with Neceſſaries while I ſhall be abroad, as Bread to eat, and Cloaths to put on; and when my Buſineſs is finiſhed, bring me home again, and grant that I may find my my Friends, Wife, Children and Family, in perfect health at my return; yet, Lord, if thou haſt ſo appointed, that before I return, I muſt go to my long home, and die in this Voyage, I beſeech thee that upon whatſoever this Veſſel of my Body be ſplit, or whereſoever

this Tabernacle fall, yet my Soul may be saved, and arrive at the Land of Promise, the everlasting Haven of the Elect, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of any present danger, or other Affliction.

Job 2. 10. *What, shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil?*

O Eternal God, which shutteſt and no man openeth, and openeſt, and no man shutteth; my humble requeſt unto thee, is for my self, and all such as suffer any Croſs of Affliction in Body or Mind, that it would pleaſe thee to send them eaſe and deliverance in thy good time.

For my self, O Lord, I beſeech thee give me grace to acknowledge this grievous Affliction to be thy Fatherly Correction of my sin, that I may learn to be more careful of my Duty. I thank thee, that thou haſt laid no more upon me, nor puniſhed me to my confuſion; I beſeech thee, grant me a more patient mind, and ſtay thy hand in due time, that I may recover my ſtrength, with comfort in thee. All is thine, and thou art all; to thee therefore do I fly for ſuccour, for there is none but under thy Wings. The ſorrows of Hell do compaſs me round about, the fear of death is before mine eyes: Help, O help me; ſave me, O ſave me for thine own ſake, for thy Son's ſake, for thy Mercies ſake, for I am the workmanſhip of thy hands.

Keep

Keep my Senſes, Underſtanding and Judgment, from every conceit that tendeth to fear, fury, or diſtruſt in thy mercy; O Lord, adviſe and teach me Wiſdom, and moderation in my grief; yea, with thy power overrule, that it be not my overthrow.

Of thy mercy, Lord, comfort the appaled Conſciences of all that grieve under the burthen of their ſins, fearing the heavineſs of thy wrath. Have mercy upon all thoſe whoſe tender affections are too nearly touch'd with the loſs of their Companions, Children, or Friends, and let them not take any thing to heart, otherwiſe than may ſtand with good Diſcretion, Reaſon, and Chriſtian moderation.

Give thy Comforts and Conſolations unto all thoſe that by any means ſuffer trouble or torments for the profeſſion of thy Goſpel, or the ſervice of their Prince. And if it pleaſe thee to detain ſome under a long Croſs, either for thy great glory, or their further tryal; yet, Lord, let them not be tempted above their ſtrength, that ſo they may perſevere unto the end.

O Lord, weaken the power of Satan, and the tyranny of his Miniſters, which either by inward temptations, or outward violence have bred the woe of thy Servants; and rid them from all their troubles, that they may ſing joyful *praiſes* unto thee, through Jeſus Chriſt, *Amen*.

To ſuch purpoſe alſo may ſerve the Prayer of one afflicted in Conſcience.

A Prayer in time of Plague, or other Extraordinary Sickneſs.

1 Sam. 2. 6. *The Lord killeth and maketh alive; he bringeth down to the Grave and raiſeth up.*

O Lord our God, in whoſe Name ſtandeth our help, and who among other evils haſt promiſed us to deliver thy people from the *ſnare of the hunter, and the noiſome Peſtilence*; We beſeech thee, take this thy Plague away from us, and as the ſtench of our ſins hath aſcended up into thy noſtrils, to provoke thy wrath againſt us, ſo let our humble ſupplications come before thee, to procure our happy and ſpeedy releaſe from it. Lord, call back thine Angel, and cauſe him to ſheath the Sword again. We are thy Children, the work of thy hands: We are ſorry for our ſins, which are the cauſe of all this, and we purpoſe amendment: We are but men, duſt and aſhes, not able to bear long; therefore Lord have mercy upon us, and that ſoon; ſend us comfort, and ſuffer us not to periſh after ſo miſerable a ſort.

We thank thee, O Lord, that thou haſt not left us altogether comfortleſs without hope, but haſt ſomewhat withdrawn thy hand, and ſpared many hundreds of us in compariſon of thoſe whom thou ſleweſt before. And now we rejoyce at this abatement, yet ſtand in awe; we preſume upon this thy favour, but with fear and trembling: We truſt it ſhall be every day better, yet we are careful to win it by plea-

pleasing thee. Wherefore (O Lord) we beseech thee bless us, and all those that depend upon us: set thy saving Mark upon our Houses, as thou didst for the *Israelites*, and give order to the Destroyer that he hurt us not. Put thy strength to our Medicines, guard our regard which we have of our selves. Let thy good Blessing make the preservatives of the Physicians, and our shutting places of more security, profitable unto us; and let us not trust too much in outward means, but chiefly in thy mercy and blessing upon them. Keep us down-lying, and up rising, and protect us walking in our Vocations.

Have pity upon our distressed Brethren, comfort the desolate Widows, provide for all fatherless children: gather us together again, that by these means are dispersed, and continue thy merciful work, in diminishing our dead members, till we may justly say in confidence and thanks, with the Prophet, *We shall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord.* Grant this (O Lord) for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer to be used in time of Thunder and Lightning.

Psal. 18. 13. *The Lord thundred in the Heavens, and the Highest gave his Voice, Hail-stones and Coals of fire.*

O Almighty and Eternal God, by whose power the Mountains smoak, the Heavens tremble, and the Earth shaketh: at whose anger

anger the Sea roars, the Waters swell, and fearful depths are broken up, preserve us, we beseech thee, from thine unsupportable Wrath, procured by our sins; call them not into Judgment, but mercifully forgive them, and look chearfully upon us in Christ Jesus, thy Son, and our Advocate: Defend us from all evil now threatned in this storm; make our habitations like the land of *Goshen*, in the time of the Plagues of *Egypt*, and keep us from sudden and untimely death. Grant, O Lord, that this great and fearful Tempest of Rain, Thunder and Lightning, may pass away, without doing any hurt to the bodies, houses or goods of us, or any of our Brethren; O Lord hear us, O Lord save us, that with joyful hearts we may give thanks unto thee, now and evermore, *Amen.*

The Ancient Prayer, called, O Bountiful Jesus.

O Bountiful Jesus, which art full of mercy and truth, have pity upon me, according to thy great mercy, by the same precious *Blood* which thou wast content to shed upon the *Cross* for us miserable sinners. I beseech thee, vouchsafe to cast all mine Iniquities out of thy sight, and despise not me who thus humbly beg of thee, crying and calling upon thy holy *Name*, a *Name of Salvation*; for what is *Jesus* but *Saviour*.

O God which hast created me, and redeemed me with thine own Blood, suffer me not (whom thou hast made of nought) to be damned. Let not my wickedness have power to

to destroy me whom thine Almighty goodness hath made. I acknowledge that which is thine in me, and that which is not of thee, take that away from me. *O Lord*, even now, while the time of mercy is, have mercy upon me, and let me not be confounded at the time of thy fearful Judgments.

O good Jesus, although I, a vile sinner, by thy strict Justice have deserved to be punished everlastingly for my most grievous sins, yet, having sure confidence in the truth of thy Righteousness, I appeal to thy unspeakable mercy, I am sure thou wilt have mercy upon me like a loving, and a merciful Father.

O Lord, What profit is there in my Blood, if I descend into the Pit of eternal Corruption? For surely, they that be dead shall not magnifie thee, or any that go down into the place of silence. O most merciful Saviour, have mercy upon me.

O Jesus, accept me a vile sinner among the number of them whom thou hast elected to Salvation. Thou art the health of all that hope in thee; have mercy upon me, and remit all my sins; O pour thy grace into my heart, endue me with wisdom, charity, chastity and humility, and in all my adversity grant me a holy, inviolable, and stedfast patience, that I may perfectly love thee, and have my only delight and affiance in thee, World without end, *Amen*.

Sup-

Supplications OF SAINTS:

The Third Part.

DAVID's Suit.

Pſal. 142. 2.

I poured out my Complaint before him, I ſhewed him my trouble.

Orig. ſup. Levit. hom. 9. cap. 16.
Unuſquiſque holocauſtum, &c.
Every one hath his Sacrifice to do.

This Part containeth Prayers in the Names of divers Parties of ſeveral Eſtates.

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer of Thanksgiving for the overthrow of the* Spaniſh *Navy, ſent to Invade* England, *Anno Domini*, 1588.

MOſt Omnipotent Creator, Redeemer, and Conſerver, when it ſeemed a moſt fit time to thy worthy Providence to beſtow the Workmanſhip of this Worlds Globe, with thy rare Judgment; thou didſt divide into 4 ſingular parts, the form of all this *Mold*, which after-time hath termed Elements, all they ſerving to continue in orderly Government of all the *Maſs*. Which all when of thy moſt ſingular Bounty, and never yet ſeen Care, that haſt this year made ſerve for Inſtruments to daunt our Foes, and confound their malice; I moſt humbly, with bowed heart, and bended knees, do tender my humble acknowledgments and loweſt thanks: And not the leaſt, for that the weakeſt Sex hath been ſo fortified, by thy ſtrongeſt help, that neither my People need find lack by my weakneſs, nor *Foreigners* triumph at my ruin: Such hath been thy unwonted Grace in my days, as tho' Satan had never made holy-day in practiſing for my Life and State, yet thy mighty hand hath overſpread both with the ſhade of thy wings, ſo that neither hath been overthrown, nor received ſhame, but abide with bleſſing, to thy moſt great glory, and their greateſt Ignominy. For which, Lord, of thy meer goodneſs grant us grace to be hourly thankful and ever mindful. And if it may pleaſe thee to grant my requeſt,

queſt, give us thy *countenance* and *favour* in my days, of like goodneſs, that my years may never ſee change of ſuch *Grace* to me, and eſpecially to this *Kingdom*: Which, Lord grant (for thy *Son's ſake*) may *flouriſh* many *Ages* after my end, *Amen.*

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for the Succeſs of her Navy*, Anno Dom. 1599.

MOſt Omnipotent Maker and Guider of all the World's Maſs, that only ſearcheſt and fathomeſt the bottom of all hearts conceits, and in them ſeeſt the true Original of all Actions intended: Thou that by thy foreſight doſt truly diſcern how no malice or revenge, nor quittance of injury, nor deſire of bloodſhed, nor greedineſs of luere, hath bred the reſolution of our now-ſet-out Army; but a heedful care, and a wary watch that no neglect of Foes, not over-ſurety of harm might breed either danger to us, or glory to them.

Theſe being the grounds, thou that didſt inſpire the mind, we humbly beſeech thee with bended knees, proſper the work, and with the beſt fore-winds ſpeed the Journey, give the Victory, and make the return the advancement of thy Glory, the trump of thy Fame, and the ſurety of the Realm, with the leaſt loſs of *Engliſh* Blood. To theſe devout Petitions, Lord give thy bleſſed Grant, *Amen.*

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for her Navy*, 1597.

O God, All-Maker, Keeper, and Guider; Inurement of thy rarely ſeen, unuſed, and ſeldom heard-of goodneſs, poured in ſo

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plentiful ſort upon us full oft, breeds now this boldneſs to crave with bowed knees, and hearts of humility, thy large hand of helping power to aſſiſt with wonder our juſt Cauſe, not founded on Prides motion, nor begun on Malice-ſtock, but as thou beſt knoweſt (to whom nought is hid) grounded on our defence from wrongs, hate, and bloody deſires of Conqueſt.

For ſince thou haſt imparted means to ſave that which thou haſt given, by enjoying of ſuch a People as ſcorns their blood-ſhed where ſafety is none, to uſe all lawful means to defend themſelves: Fortify, dear God, ſuch Hearts in ſuch ſort as their beſt parts may be worſt, that are the worſt, that to the trueſt part, meant worſt, may redound to a happy Victory, with leaſt loſs to ſuch a Nation as deſpiſe their Lives for their Countries good, in a good Cauſe, that all Foreign Lands may laud and admire the Omnipotency of thy works, a fact alone for thee only to perform: So ſhall thy Name be ſpread for Wonders wrought, and the *faithful* encouraged to *repoſe* in thy unfellowed Grace, and we that minded nought but Right, be enchanted in thy bonds for perpetual ſlavery, and live and die in the Sacrifices of our Souls for ſuch obtained favour: Warrant, dear *Lord*, all this with thy Command, *Amen.*

The Houſholders Prayer.

Pſal. 55. 22. *Caſt thy burthen upon the Lord, and he ſhall ſuſtain thee: He ſhall not ſuffer the Righteous to be moved.*

O Most mighty God, merciful and loving Father, I wretched sinner come unto thee, in the Name of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer, and most humbly beseech thee to be merciful unto me, and to cast all my sins out of thy sight and remembrance, through the merits of his bloody Death and Passion. Pour upon me (O Lord) thy holy Spirit of Wisdom and Grace; govern and lead me by thy holy Word, that it may be a Lanthorn unto my feet, and a light unto my steps: shew thy mercy upon me, and so lighten the natural blindness and darkness of my heart, through thy grace, that I may be daily renewed by the same spirit and grace: By the which, O Lord, purge the grosness of my Hearing and Understanding, that I may profitably read, hear, and understand thy word and heavenly will, believe and practise the same in my *Life* and *Conversation*, and evermore hold fast the blessed hope of Eternal Life.

Mortifie and kill all Vice in me, that my Life may express my faith in thee: mercifully hear the humble suit of thy Servant, and grant me thy peace all my days: graciously pardon all my Infirmities, and defend me in all dangers of body, goods or name: but most chiefly my soul against all assaults, temptations, accusations, subtle slights and baits of that old Enemy of mankind, Satan that roaring Lion, ever seeking whom he may *devour*: Favourably protect and keep all that thou hast

haſt given me, Wife, Children or Servants; and aid me, O Lord, with thy Grace, that I may be able to govern, nouriſh, and bring them up in thy fear and ſervice.

Caſt a gracious eye upon me, and lend me thy directing hand, that the labour and pains which I am to undertake this day may proſper, and let all my dealing be juſt and true: Bleſs (*O Lord*) thy Univerſal Church, and perfect the work which thou haſt begun among us. Bear our moſt gracious KING, the QUEEN his Wife, and all their Princely PROGENY, always in thine own boſom, and ſet thine eyes always upon them for good. Let the Spirit of knowledge and holineſs remain in his Miniſters. Bleſs all his Council with Wiſdom and Diſcretion, his Nobles with Fortitude and Courage, his Judges with Juſtice and Mercy, his Magiſtrates with Diligence and Faithfulneſs, his People with Fear and Obedience, that we may all with one mind, and one mouth ſay with the Prophet, *He that is mighty hath done great things for us, and Holy is his Name*, Amen.

Another of the Houſholders.

Eph. 6. 9. *Know that your Maſter alſo is in Heaven, neither is there reſpect of Perſons with him.*

LEad me (*O Lord*) in the way of thy Truth and Righteouſneſs, and govern all mine actions to thy glory, the good of thy Church, and the diſcharge of my Duty; defend and deliver me from all Temptations, from all mine Ene-

Enemies, and from all *deceits* and *dangers*. Kindle in my heart and mind a fervent zeal of thy Holy Word, that I may underſtand and know thy will, and walk in thy ways; ſtrengthen me with the Holy Spirit, boldly and conſtantly to profeſs the honour and ſervice of thy Holy Name, leſt at any time through fear of worldly Afflictions, I fall from thee.

Give me a contented mind with my Eſtate, and ſuch Bleſſings as thou (*O Lord*) of thy bountiful goodneſs and mercy haſt beſtowed upon me, that I may uſe them, and be thankful for them: Grant me patience in all my troubles and afflictions, that I neither grudge at thy Fatherly Corrections, knowing them to be tokens of thy love, and inſtruments of my exerciſe and tryal; neither ſeek revenge of my wrongs, knowing vengeance to be thine, and that thou wilt reward it in due ſeaſon.

Keep my mind from all evil thoughts, my tongue from lewd and vain ſpeeches, my body, and every member thereof, from all ſinful actions. Let all my love, my faith & hope, my delight and confidence, only and always be in thee. Open my heart to have pity upon my poor Brethren, give me the Gift of Chaſtity, that I may poſſeſs my Veſſel in Holineſs and Honour, and not in the leaſt Concupiſcence, and as the Heathen do, which know not God.

Give me, O Lord, ſorrow for my Sin, thankfulneſs for thy Benefits, fear of thy Judgments, and love of thy Mercies: And teach me to bring

bring up my Children, and govern my Servants in good Order and godly Diſcipline, according to thy holy Ordinance; and becauſe by thy Grace I am that I am, let thy demands be no greater than thou haſt given me grace to perform. O Lord, pardon and forgive all my ſins, and grant me grace to live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, that I may riſe to live with my Lord Jeſus, evermore dwell with him in thy moſt glorious and *joyful Kingdom*, the only thing I deſire and hope for, through the merits of the ſame *Jeſus Chriſt*, thy only Son, and my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Wives Prayer for her Husband, in Abſence, or otherwiſe.

Pſal. 37. 4. *Delight thy ſelf alſo in the Lord, and he ſhall give thee the deſires of thy heart.*

O Lord God, which haſt made every married Couple one Fleſh, and haſt ordained they ſhould be of one mind and judgment, and careful one for another, as members one of another: I beſeech thee, lead me and my Husband in the way of thy truth and righteouſneſs; govern all our actions to thy glory, the good of thy Church, and the diſcharge of our duties. Defend and deliver us (*O Lord*) from all temptations, from all our Enemies, or from all *deceits* and *dangers* here or elſewhere.

Grant my Husband, being abroad, to proſper in his buſineſs, and ſend him a healthful and happy return home, that I who without him am ſorrowful in my ſelf, and ſhould be a ſtranger

ſtranger to the world if he were not, may with him live in the eſtate of thine Honourable Ordinance in peace and comfort, and always for thy great goodneſs and mercy towards us, praiſe thy moſt holy Name.

Grant us both Grace, O Lord, one to love and cheriſh the other, and to be faithful and dutiful towards the other; and give us both the gift of Chaſtity and Sobriety, that both in body and mind we may live a pure life, bringing up our Children and governing our Servants with Godly Diſcipline and good Order, in and according to thy Holy Word.

O Lord, pardon and forgive both of us all our ſins, and grant us both grace to love, honour, fear, and ſerve thee all the days of this our miſerable and ſinful life, that in this life we may have comfort in that which thou haſt given us, and after our death we may receive the fruits of that hope which we have laid up in thy mercies, through the merits and mediation of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Widows Prayer.

Deut. 10. 18. *The Lord doth execute the judgment of the Fatherleſs and Widow, and loveth the ſtranger, in giving him food and raiment.*

O Lord God, which art near touched with a care of the afflicted, and deſpiſeſt not the Widow when ſhe poureth out her Prayers before thee; I beſeech thee to have compaſſion upon me, a poor and deſolate Widow. And

nd whereas the bands of Death have made a paration between me and my Husband, who as my head, and the beſt ſtay I had in this World next under thee; I beſeech thee, let ne not take this Croſs impatiently, but truſt n thy goodneſs, that nothing may be able to eparate me from thee, which art mine only ſtay, and the joy of my Soul. Preſerve me, Lord, from the paws of ravenous and greedy Cormorants, which lie in wait to ſupplant he weakeſt, and devour our Houſes under he pretence of Godlineſs, and colour of Right. Grant that in the ſight of all Governours and Judges, I may find favour and equal dealing n my ſuits and complaints againſt all vio-ent Oppreſſors.

Give unto all men willing and ready minds to do me good, and open their hearts to help and pleaſure me in all reaſonable demands: Provide for me, by miniſtring *food* and *raiment* fit for my eſtate; have pity upon me in all my *neceſſities*, and *ſtretch* out thy *hand* to *deliver* me.

Bleſs me as thou didſt that poor Woman of *Sarepta*, that that ſmall thing which thou haſt given me, may ſerve to ſupply the neceſſary uſes of me and mine; diſpoſe the hearts of my Children and Servants to Obedience, Peace, and Holineſs, that I which am the weaker Veſſel, deprived of him whoſe countenance ſhould have kept them in awe, may by thy help bring them up in godly Diſcipline. Give me the graces of thy Holy Spirit, that at all times

times, and in all mine afflictions, I may trust in thee, and continue in Prayers and Supplications day and night, but such as befit a modeſt Matron, and the Handmaid of the Lord: for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

The Prayer of Women with Child.

John 16. 21. *A Woman when ſhe is in Travel hath ſorrow, becauſe her hour is come.*

O Lord God, by whoſe Decree, for the offences of our firſt Parents, we bear in our Wombs, and bring forth Children in pain and ſorrow, be merciful unto me, that now feel the accompliſhment of that Sentence in my ſelf: And as thou haſt vouchſafed me this Bleſſing to conceive in my Womb that which thou haſt wrought until this time; ſo grant that in due time I may ſee the fruit of my Body, ſafe ſound and perfect, without blemiſh or deformity.

Keep me, O Lord, from an untimely Birth. grant that through Prayer, Faith and Patience, I may eſcape all ſudden fears, and unadviſed thoughts. Comfort me when I ſhall draw near unto my hard labour, and when I ſhall fall into thoſe terrors, horrors, and pangs, which accompany that hour, ſhew thy mercy upon me and my Babe, that my ſins may be forgiven me, and that it may not be puniſhed for my Offences: Give me patience, that I be not too fearful and unruly, but that I may remember what Modeſty befitteth a

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Woman in thoſe dangers, and repoſe all my affiance in thee; O Lord, ſend me help and preſerve me, that I periſh not.

Grant me, O Lord, ſafe deliverance in due time, and make me a joyful Mother, when that hour cometh; let not my ſins ſo many be called in queſtion, either now, or at that inſtant, but forget, O Lord, and forgive them; bleſs my poor Infant, and lodge it in the virtue of thy Covenant, and when thou ſhalt be pleaſed to call it into open light, give me wiſdom and ſtrength to bring it up in thy fear, and (as it were) to travel again with it, till it be born again unto a heavenly life, to thy greater glory, and my further joy, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord, *Amen.*

The Midwives Prayer.

Pſal. 68 35. *O God, wonderful thou art in thy holy places; even the God of Iſrael, he will give ſtrength and power unto his people; bleſſed be God.*

O Lord God, which only haſt Power to take all Children out of their Mothers Wombs, and to bring them into the light of this world: I thy unworthy Servant, whom thou haſt deputed to this great buſineſs, for the help and comfort of many in their Extremities, do moſt humbly on bended knees beſeech thee to vouchſafe me thy gracious aſſiſtance in the ſame.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, and in all mine actions let me have thy fear before mine eyes, that I may be careful both for rich and

poor, to do good, and not hurt; to ſave life, and not to deſtroy. Help mine infirmities and imperfections, that I be neither too fearful, nor too violent in doing my Duty; and grant me skill and judgment happily to finiſh every work that I ſhall undertake.

Give me, O Lord, an underſtanding and tender heart, a ready, ſteddy, and gentle hand, a watchful eye, and willing mind. Mercifully look upon me, O Lord, that whenſoever I ſhall be called to do my Office, either by night or day, to the ſick, or to the ſound, I may be defended from all bodily harms, and preſerved from the infection of all contagious Diſeaſes, by thy gracious favour. Proſper, O Lord, the works of my hands, O proſper thou my handy-work, that I may do all things to thy glory, the comfort of all good Women, and mine own credit, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of Womens Travel.

Pſal. 90. 16. *Let thy work (O Lord) appear unto thy ſervants, and thy glory unto their children.*

O Gracious God, and loving Father, of whom the whole Family in Heaven and Earth is named, we beſeech thee mercifully hear the voice of all thy handmaids here aſſembled in thy *Name*, for the help of this our Siſter in her Agony now approaching: Lord, look upon her in mercy, mitigate the Judgment which thou haſt laid upon her, and all Women for ſin. Give her courage of heart,

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nd ſtrength of body, to bear the pangs of her abour ſo fearful, hard and vehement. Sweeten hem with the drops of thy mercy, and quali-ie them by thy gracious Power: pardon her Offences, and receive her Prayers.

Loving Father, give her patience and will-ngneſs to be adviſed and ordered by her riends in ſo great a work; that ſhe may re-nember, that as in juſtice thou haſt greatly in-reaſed her ſorrows and conceptions, ſo it is hy will to have a holy ſeed brought forth in-o the World, which being ſanctified by thy Grace, may be conſecrated here to ſuch godly ſervices as thou haſt appointed, and fterwards made partakers of Glory in the Kingdom of Heaven.

And therefore *(O Lord)* we pray thee bleſs er, and the fruit of her Womb; let thy mercy e no leſs ſhewed in the Birth, than in the wonderful forming and faſhioning of that ſhe eareth. Guide all our hands that are about er, and lay to thy helping hand with us. Give er an eaſie and ſpeedy deliverance. But if it e thy Will to lay any great weight of thy rath upon her, according to thy doom, yet ood Lord, we beſeech thee, let thy holy Spi-it ſo comfort her inwardly with thy Promi-es made to all, and thy Goodneſs ſhewed to thers, that neither her natural frailty, nor he temptations of Satan, nor the extremities f her Throws, cauſe her to faint.

O Lord, we pray thee comfort her, help her,

eaſe her, finiſh thy work in her (O thou pre-
ſerver of mankind) that ſhe being ſafely deli-
vered, and her Babe preſerved, they may both
live, grow, and proſper in health and ſtrength
to thy will and pleaſure, and we altogether
praiſe thy holy Name, through Jeſus Chriſt
our Lord and Saviour: In whoſe Name we
conclude our Prayers, ſaying, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer after the Deliverance of Women.

Pſal. 127. 3. *Lo, Children are an heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the Womb is his reward.*

O Lord God, by whom all Men and Wo-
men are wonderfully and fearfully
made, we give thee moſt humble thanks, that
in thy Judgment towards this our Siſter thou
haſt remembred mercy, in giving her ſafe de-
liverance, together with a comely fruit of her
Body. Good Lord, we pray thee continue thy
great goodneſs towards her, and keep her
from all further annoyance and dangers of
Child-bed. Preſerve her night and day, ſleep-
ing and waking, that ſo in her time ſhe may
be reſtored to her former health and
ſtrength, and walk in her Vocation, ac-
cording to thy Will, with Thankſgiving.

Give thy Bleſſing to the Infant now born, that it may in due time increaſe in all wiſdom, ſtature, and favour with God and men; that it may be partaker of the ſacred Seal of Holy Baptiſm, and be born again new by the power of the Spirit; live a holy and ſanctified life in this world, and afterwards be made Heir of everlaſting Life. O Lord, *bleſs the Mother*

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also for the Babes good, that she may have strength and means to bring it up in thy fear, and use all such good endeavours as become a careful and natural Mother.

Lord, give thy grace to all us which have been eye-witnesses of this thy mercy and goodness; and let this, and all other thy works daily put us in mind to be thankful unto thee for our Creation, Preservation, and all other thy good gifts, to call upon thee, love, and fear thee, walking in thy sight, in all Sobriety, Chastity and Godliness, from this day forward for evermore, for Jesus Christ's sake, *Amen.*

The Childrens Prayer in their Father's Life-time.

Prov. 10. 1. *A wise Son maketh a glad Father; but a foolish Son is the heavinesse of his Mother.*

O Heavenly Father, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of all that believe in him, endue me, I beseech thee, with thy holy Spirit, that I may be a Babe of thy Heavenly Family, regenerated and made a new Creature in the same Christ Jesus our Saviour. Make me by all means to honour my Parents, after the example of thy Son our Saviour, and not by any means to breed their sorrow and grief; that when thou shalt see it good to make me ancient, and bless me with Children, then I may have joy in them by their Obedience and Holiness.

Joyn (*O Lord*) unto the towardness of my Nurture, the aid of thy Grace, that I be not seduced by false teachers to corruption, either

in faith, or in manners, but that all my understanding and conceits, may tend to the good of my Soul, and the bettering of my Life.

Restrain (*O Lord*) the untamedness of my Youth, which at this time is wont to begin to shew it self, that I never pass the limits of thy good pleasure. Keep me from wandring Concupiscence and Idleness, from wicked Company and naughty Fellowship.

Forgive me all the misdemeanors which I have at any time committed against Thee, and my Parents; and give me ability and grace to help them in their weakest age and greatest need, remembring the pains which my Mother endured for me, and the charges of my Father. Make me obedient unto them, and all other my Betters, Teachers and Governors: Help me in all dangers and necessities, and grant me thy favour all the days of my life, and thy Kingdom at the end, for Jesus Christ's sake, *Amen.*

Another Prayer of Children.

Psal. 37. 5. *Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in him, and he shall bring it to pass.*

O Lord God, I beseech thee to lead my Parents in the way of thy Truth and Righteousness. Govern all their actions to thy glory, the good of the Church, and the discharg of their duties. Defend and deliver them from all their Enemies, and from all deceits and dangers; that I, who am a Child in age understanding and discretion, may by their godly wis-

wiſdom, care and painfulneſs, be brought up in all godly inſtructions, nurture, and good order, and ſo live and ſerve thee in righteouſneſs and holineſs all my days.

Grant me (*O Lord*) an obedient and dutiful mind not only towards my Parents, but to all ſuch as it ſhall pleaſe them to make Inſtructors and Rulers over me, that I may ſubmit my ſelf to their godly admonitions and government. Incline my heart now in my tender years to ſeek for wiſdom and good learning with all diligence. Preſerve me from all evil ways, and lewd Company.

Mortifie, O Lord, the raging luſts and follies of youthful affections; O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my ſins, that I may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and ſo receive the Inheritance of that place, that thou in Heaven haſt prepared for me, through Jeſus Chriſt my Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Orphan's or Fatherleſs Child's Prayer.

Pſal. 27. 10. *When my Father and my Mother forſake me, then the Lord will take me up.*

O Lord God, the ſuccour of all them that are in diſtreſs, and Father of the Fatherleſs; I poor Orphan, by thine appointment, deprived of my Parents, and chiefeſt ſtay in this World; I beſeech thee to hear my deſire, and to ſet thine eyes upon me for good. Have pity upon me, O Lord, and in all perils and neceſſities ſtretch out thy helping hand, and deliver me; appoint me faithful Patrons

ind Guardians, which will be touched with an earneſt care of my welfare, that I may be brought up in thy fear, unto every good *work*.

Give me *grace* to be obedient unto thoſe that have the overſight of me, to hearken to good *Counſel*, to fear thee, and to avoid evil *Company*.

Grant that I may find favour and upright dealing at the hands of them that have the over-ſight of me, and before all other the Governors and Judges whatſoever. Let me not be oppreſſed by the mighty, or ſeduced by the crafty and ſubtle; but deliver me from the greedy and devouring *Cormorants*, and diſſembling *Friends*, that would make a *Prey* of me.

Let me not run to and fro to ſeek my bread, but provide for me (O Lord I pray thee) food and raiment, and ſo furniſh me in this ſhort time of my Pilgrimage, that I may have a competent Living. Bleſs my ſtudies and endeavours, increaſe my years and knowledg to ſit always my Eſtate and Calling; direct me with thy Spirit and bleſs me now and evermore, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen*.

The Scholars Prayer.

Prov. 6. 23. *The Commandment is a lamp, and the Law is light; and reproofs of Inſtruction are the way of life.*

O Lord God, which haſt ſaid, If any man lack wiſdom, let him ask it of God, which giveth to all men liberally, and reproacheth no man, and it ſhall be given him; I beſeech thee, breath into my Soul the Spirit of Un-

Understanding, that in my Child-hood I may learn; and as I grow further into years I may practise the study of those things only that are agreeable to thy Laws. Have mercy upon me and lighten my *Understanding* with the *Beams* of thy *Divine Wisdom*, that I may have *Judgment* to make the best choice; *Wit* and *Capacity* to conceive, and *Memory* to retain and bear away all such good things as I shall either hear or read.

Lord, hew and square the rough Table of my heart, prepare it and make it smooth and fit to receive into it the impressions of thy Divine Grace and Wisdom. Grant that I may always carefully seek for the Pearls of true Knowledg, and obediently submit my self to all those that are my Teachers, and have the over-sight of me. Give me such a desire to attain unto Knowledg, that my study, through thy working, may be pleasure unto me; and that I may not wilfully lose, or vainly bestow that precious time which never can be called again. Pour into me thy holy Spirit, that all my travel and pains in study, being blessed by thee, I may plentifully reap the fruit of my labours, and be thankful to thee.

O Loving Father, be thou my School-master to instruct me, and let all my Studies be referred to the right end, that I be neither infected with Heresie, nor Partaker of any Sect or Schism: Lord when I shall have attained unto any measure of Knowledg, let it not puff

me up to ſtand high in my own conceit, or be proud of thy gifts; but let me be wiſe unto ſobriety, and carry my ſelf humbly, lowly and modeſtly, and ſo order all my ſtudies and endeavours, good Father, that I may firmly reſolve, ſpeedily perform, and conſtantly continue in doing any thing that is agreeable to thy will; that ſo every thing may ſerve me for my furtherance to a godly and vertuous Life, and the diſcharge of a good Conſcience, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

The Soldier's Prayer.

Exod. 15. 3. *The Lord is a man of war, his name is Jehovah.*

O Lord God of Hoſts, which teacheth my hands to fight, and my fingers to battle, I humbly beſeech thee to have mercy upon me, that am ſubject to ſo many dangers every day, that I fall not before my Enemies: Touch my heart that I may truly feel my ſins, and worthily lament them before thy Majeſty. And ſince I have undertaken this ſervice, not for any covetouſneſs or revenge of Blood, but in obedience to my Prince, and to defend a righteous Cauſe, ſuffer me not (I beſeech thee) to give my members as weapons of unrighteouſneſs unto Sin, but to look carefully unto my ways, ſeeking to diſcharge my duty towards thee, and to acquit my ſelf in all Loyalty toward my Prince.

O Lord gird me with ſtrength, and make my way upright: Conduct me with thy hand, en-

encourage me with the Trumpet of thy word: Arm me with Faith and Hope to thee-ward, and ſtrengthen me to the Combat. Bleſs all our Company in our Attempts, and ſuggeſt unto us the beſt means to ſave our ſelves and defeat the purpoſes of our Enemies. Arm us with thy grace, that we may manfully fight in thy Quarrel; make our Name fearful to our Enemies, and abate their pride: Range us within the limits of Truth and Honeſty, that we be not given to thoſe Vices which accompany the War, vile Affections, inordinate Motions, and mercileſs Cruelties.

Lord, it's nothing with thee to help, whether with many or with few: Help us, O Lord, our God, for we reſt on thee, and in thy Name we go againſt this Multitude: O Lord, thou art our God, let no man prevail againſt thee. Keep us we beſeech thee, from Treaſon, Mutinies and Conſpiracies, either againſt our Prince or Captains; Lord, hear the mourning of all *Captives* detain'd in the hands of their Enemies; and work means for their Deliverance; and if it pleaſe thee at any time to lay that croſs upon us, or otherwiſe to expoſe us to death in the Field, then Lord keep us in thy Faith, that we may live and die thy Soldiers, fighting the good fight of Hope fixt in thee, and die in thy favour, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

The Servant's Prayer.

1 Cor. 7. 22. *He that is called in the Lord, being a ſervant, is the Lord's free-man.*

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O Lord God which haſt made us all one in Chriſt Jeſus, whether we be bound or free; I beſeech thee, grant me a contented mind, that during the time of my Bondage, I be not aſhamed of that condition of Life wherein thou haſt placed me: Cloath me in the Livery of a true Chriſtian, and grant me always to bear the mind of an honeſt man.

Give me grace to obey and be ſubject to my earthly Maſters with all fear, whether they be good and courteous, or evil and froward, and to perform their deſigns which croſs not thy Commandments.

Vouchſafe, O Lord, to ſend me an underſtanding heart to manage my buſineſs aright, and make me faithful withal, to be circumſpect and diligent to do all things for the beſt: Grant me a ſingle and true heart, without hypocriſie and diſſimulation, that I do not paſs over my years with an eye-ſervice, as a Man-pleaſer, but juſtly and ſincerely; that I may in my time procure that Chriſtian Liberty and Freedom which I ſerve for.

Lord bleſs my Maſter in all his Affairs and Dealings; let him not be ſubject to any danger or wrong from others, nor poſſeſſed with any thought of Cruelty towards them that labour faithfully and truly for him. Strengthen my body to perform that buſineſs that I am appointed unto, and keep me from all murmuring and grudging againſt any of my Betters, and envious detracting from the eſtimation of others. Eſ-

Especially (O Lord) keep me from evil Company, that I be neither enticed to spend wastfully, or embezle any thing committed to my custody, nor hearken unto the *persuasion* of any such as wish not well nuto my Lord and Master.

Send peace and quietness between me and my fellows, that in love and kindness we may all with one heart and one mind constantly and chearfully joyn together, to follow our Master's business, and serve thee, and after this life, become free-men of the *New Jerusalem* in Heaven, in the blessed company of all faithful People, for Jesus Christ's sake, *Amen.*

Another of the same.

Eph. 6. 8. *Whatever good things any man doth, the same he shall receive of the Lord, whether he be bound or free,*

O Lord, our Heavenly Master, I do beseech thee, lead me in the way of thy truth and righteousness: Govern all mine actions to thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the discharge of my Duty: Defend and deliver me (O Lord) from all Temptations, from all mine Enemies, and from all Deceits and Dangers.

Bless (O Lord) I beseech thee, my Lord, Master and Mistress, with all heavenly wisdom and understanding, and godliness, and with worldly wealth and happiness, that I who am thy Servant, may by them, and under them receive not only the spiritual food of my Soul, but also the temporal sustinence of my Body; doing my service, not outwardly, as de-

desiring to please Men, but with singleness of mind from the heart, as fearing thee, O Lord my God; and whereby I may receive that reward which thou hast promised.

Give me, O Lord, an obedient and dutiful mind towards them, that I may submit my self to their honest and lawful Commandments, and do them true and faithful service, with all humbleness and patience.

Grant me grace (O Lord) to frame my life according to thy holy Word, nourish mutual love and good will between me and my fellows, preserve me from all evil ways, lewd company, and from idleness: Keep my mind from evil thoughts, my tongue from lewd and vain speeches; and my body, and every member thereof, from all sinful actions: Mortify in me, Lord, the raging lust and follies of youthful affections: O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my sins, and grant me grace to love, honour, and serve thee in holiness and righteousness all my days, that I may glorify thee in this World, and be glorified of thee in the World to come, through Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Maid's Prayer.

1 Sam. 25. 24. *Let thy hand-maid I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thy hand-maid.*

BLessed Lord, which in former time hast not despised the low estate of Hand-maids when they sought unto thee, vouchsafe to lend thine ear to the hearty desires of me thy

thy poor Servant: Conſider, O Lord, that in the labour both of body and mind, I am the weaker Veſſel, of leſs capacity and more infirmity; and beſtow upon my youth much competent ſtrength, that I may grow in ſtature, wiſdom and favour, with God and Man: As I grow up in years, ſo Lord, let me grow in grace; Crown my Virginity with chaſt and religious thoughts, and my Body and Mind with godly watchfulneſs to wait for thy coming with the wiſe Virgins.

Give me grace to think always that a good name, and honeſt reputation is better than any dowry to a modeſt Maid. Make my behaviour meek, my talk ſober, my body chaſt, and keep me from lewd and wanton company, that I partake not with them in their follies of Youth: Pardon my fore-paſt vanities, and by the power of thy Spirit, enable my weakneſs to avoid all Evil; Defend me from ſlanderous and baſe Tongues, ſurmiſing Minds, and wicked Temptations, I beſeech thee.

O Lord, make me faithful and truſty; wiſe and wary in ordering of ſuch Goods as are committed to my cuſtody, by my Maſter or Miſtreſs, Father or Mother: Marry me unto thee (O Lord) in Righteouſneſs, in Judgment, in Mercy and Compaſſion; and if it be thy will hereafter to call me to the honourable Eſtate of Corporeal Matrimony, make me follow *Rachel* in love, *Rebecca* in wiſdom, *Sarah* in faithfulneſs and obedience to my Husband and all other

other worthy Matrons in modesty and honesty, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Mariner's Prayer.

Psal. 107. 23, 24. *They that go down to the sea in ships, and do business in great waters, see the works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.*

O Lord God, which hast thy way in the Seas, and thy path in the greatest Waters; and hast appointed as well them as the firm Land, for Men to do their business in, we beseech thee, that as thou hast ordained the Art of Navigation for the comfort and security of Man, so thou wilt be pleased to bless us and our labours, our company, and the goods that are under our charge, against such dangerous and perillous casualties as our Trade is daily subject to.

And thou, Lord Jesus, who didst vouchsafe to travel by Ship, to preach out of the Ship, and in the Ship to work Miracles; and once to walk upon the Main, as on dry Land, we pray thee, still the raging of the Waters when they arise, put forth thy hand and save us when we shall be in danger, as thou didst the one, to thy Disciples, and all the Company in their Ship; and the other for thy Apostle St. *Peter*, when he was in great fear, and ready to sink.

O Holy Ghost, which at the creation of the Universe didst graciously rest and move upon the face of the Waters, vouchsafe us a peaceable Voyage, and send us such wind and weather,

ther, as may ſerve us for a ſafe paſſage, whither we are bound for our buſineſs, and a joyful return, that being done.

O bleſſed Trinity, one everliving God, ſave us by Sea and Land, keep us in the violent whirling of the Wind, in the bitterneſs of Froſt, Hail, Ice and Snow, in the dangers of Fire, and the fearful cracks and flaſhes of *Thunder* and *Lightning*: Defend us from Pirates and all Robbers, which live upon the ſpoil of the people, and labours of honeſt Men: Make good our Proviſion, both for bodily food and furniture of our Ships: Furniſh us, ſuccour us, defend us, O God, thou Anchor of our Hope, for thy Glory, and for thy Name's ſake. *Amen.*

The Prayer of one afflicted in Conſcience for ſin.

Dan. 9. 19. *O Lord hear, O Lord forgive, O Lord hearken and do, defer not for thy own ſake, O my God.*

O Moſt merciful God, which by the ſending of thy Son into the World, haſt brought to paſs, that where ſin abounded, there grace abounded much more: I forlorn Wretch, diſquieted in mind, and afflicted in conſcience for fear of thy Judgments upon my ſin, do with bended knees, and tears unfeigned, as a moſt humble Supplicant, beg and crave of thee ſome ſuccour and relief: Open, O open the Gates of thy Mercy to the greatneſs of my Miſeries; may an abject Countenance witneſs my diſtreſſed Mind: My Spirit is ſorrowful, my Heart is heavy, my Words are ſtopt with ſighs, and my Plaints are wearied with tears, to thee

thee I hold up my hands, to thee I lift up my heart, to thee I pray, requiring of thee mercy. (O Lord) what ſhall I deſire of thee, that deſerve nothing at thy hands? what can I hope for, that am even heartleſs? Lord, if thou hadſt ſaid, *Shall not my Soul be avenged on ſuch an one as this!* Remember thy promiſe elſewhere, *I will have mercy on him that could find no mercy*: and let it light upon me: If Satan preſume, God hath forſaken him, think upon the Decree for the Seed of the Woman, and the Power of thy Son's Paſſion; defeat all the devices of the Devil againſt me.

O Lord hear me ſpeedily, if thou do not, then I am out of hope; my conſcience accuſeth me, my memory gives evidence againſt me, and my reaſon condemneth me; my ſpirit is weary of this bondage, and I have bid my life farewel. My conſcience is clogged; when I behold the bloody wounds of my Soul, the voice of Joy and Mirth is gone from me; I am deeply plunged in diſcomfort: I have neither worth to appeaſe thy wrath, nor patience to endure thy indignation: I pray thee therefore ſend the comfort of thy holy Spirit into my heart, and ſtrengthen my Faith, that I be not ſwallowed up with over-much heavineſs. O Lord, let thy Majeſty appear in thy Mercy; forgive my ſins, the unhappy ground of all this woe, and I am recovered of all mine infirmities. Try not the Law with me, leſt I come to Judgment; ſanctifie all thoſe good means unto me, where-

wherein I ſeek relief, as Prayer, Conference, Reading and Hearing of thy Holy Word; moderate and mitigate my vexation, increaſe faith, eſtabliſh hope, grant patience, and keep me from deſpair: Take away this Cup from me, if it be thy will, if not, ſuffer me not to be tempted above my ſtrength.

I have an humbled and contrite heart (O Lord) look upon me; I go mourning all the day long, and am like unto him that is at the point to die; O Lord comfort me; thou that will not break a bruiſed Reed, ſpare me; thou that delighteſt not in the death of a Sinner, revive me. Tho' my heart condemn me, yet good Lord, thou that art greater than my heart; acquit me, relieve me, releaſe me, and ſay unto my Soul, *I am thy Salvation.* Hearken, Lord, unto my Prayer, and grant me my Requeſts, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

The Sick Man's Prayer.

Job 1. 21. *Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked ſhall I return thither.*

O Loving Lord, and moſt Holy Father, I poor Wretch, thy Servant, feeling in this Sickneſs which thou haſt laid upon me, the puniſhment of that corruption and tranſgreſſion that is in me, and all Fleſh, do moſt willingly ſubmit my ſelf to thy holy Ordinance, to bear this Croſs, and to taſte of this bitter Cup, which I have deſerved, and much more: So that I may follow thee whither thou art gone.

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Therefore (O Lord) ſince thou haſt not yet called me to the Bar of Death, but ſent thy Heralds to ſummon me to a Tryal; I beſeech thee look on me with thine eye of merciful pity, and help me in this day of Viſitation: Pour out thine Oyl of Grace into my wounded Conſcience, purge my defiled Soul, forgive me all my ſins; and give me competent comfort and conſolation in this diſtreſs. Let me not die e're I begin to live; give me time to repent, and and occaſion to amend. But if thou wilt needs put any more of thy Wine of Correction into my feſtred Sores, lay no more (O Lord) upon me than I ſhall be able to bear: Make good unto me that goodneſs, which thou haſt granted me under the Great Seal of thy Promiſe. Supply my want, pardon my ſins, and arm me againſt all temptations.

I offer here unto thee (O Lord) a penitent heart for the time paſt, and promiſe through thy Grace amendment, if it ſhall pleaſe thee to draw out the thred of my Life any longer, yet neither deſire I the continuance of this Mortality, nor a more ſpeedy deliverance, otherwiſe than as thou wilt: Lord look not on my merits, for they are either none or not good; not upon my *Life*, for it hath been *naught*; but look upon *Chriſt* thy dear *Son*, who from the Altar of the Croſs cried unto thee on my behalf, and accept his ſatisfaction for my ſins.

Arm me with patience to take up my Croſs and follow thee, even to bear thy Viſitation will-

willingly; and give me ſtrength by faith, to reſiſt the Adverſary in the brunt of Temptations. With my ſorrow and pain increaſe thy grace, that when I am in my greateſt Agony, I may find comfort; believing and ſaying with the holy Prophet, *My fleſh faileth, and my heart alſo: But God is the ſtrength of my heart, and my portion for ever.* O Lord, if thy Decree be gone forth, as it was to *Hezekiah*, that I ſhall die, and not live; give me grace to put my Houſe in order, that I may depart with the more peace: and when the pangs of Death have ſhut up the eyes of my body, and taken away the uſe of my tongue (I beſeech thee) let the eyes of my Soul ſtill be open, and look upon thee, ſo that when I ſhall leave the Earth to the Earth, and my Body to the Grave, thine Angels may carry up my Soul into Heaven, and I may be Partaker of a joyful Reſurrection, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

A Prayer to be ſaid at the point of Death.

O Lord, my time is at hand, my Soul is heavy even unto death: Look down upon me; pour thine Oyl of Grace into my Heart, pardon my *Sins*, ſtrengthen my *Faith*, ſhorten my *Pains*, and drive away *Satan*: Help me in this Conflict. Look upon thy *Chriſt*, he is my *Saviour* and *Redeemer*; Come Lord Jeſus, welcom; into thy hands I commend my Soul; take it (O Lord) take me the work of thine own hands; and let me die in thy fear, and riſe again in thy favor, that I may come to thy Bliſs, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

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Supplications OF SAINTS:

The Fourth Part.

MOSES's Song.

Exod. 15. 1.

Then ſang Moſes and the children of Iſrael unto the Lord.

BERNARD.

Gratiarum aſcenſus Gratiæ decenſus.

The ſending up of Thanks, is the fetching down of Grace.

This Part containeth divers Thankſgivings and Graces.

A general Thankſgiving to be uſed by all Men at all times.

Pſal. 86. 12, 13. *I will praiſe thee O Lord my God with all my heart, and will glorify thy Name for evermore. For great is thy mercy towards me.*

O Bleſſed Lord, and ever-living God, whoſe mercy is over all thy Works, and of whoſe Fulneſs we have all received grace for grace; I poor *Samaritan* that have been holpen, healed, and honoured by thy holy hand, do pour forth my heart unto thee, that I may neither ungratefully remember thy benefits, nor ungraciouſly forget thy ſevere Judgments, who both in the one and the other haſt been beyond all meaſure ſo gracious unto me. I thank thee O Lord, for all the external and internal Graces beſtowed upon me, the ſpiritual and corporeal, the celeſtial and terreſtrial Bleſſings which I have received.

And in earthly Matters, O Lord, I acknowledge my ſelf deeply bounden unto thee, for my being, breathing life and motion, that thou haſt made me of a more noble Nature than the reſt of the Creatures, created me after thine own Image, enduing me with reaſon, furniſhing me with excellent faculties of the mind, and perfect ſenſe.

And I give thee thanks, O Lord, that thou haſt given me a body ſound, and ſo free from great infirmities, and haſt ſet me in a Calling ſo fit for my condition, and given me ſuch a com-

competent Eſtate; that thou haſt preſerved me from ſo many harms, in ſuch dangerous accidents; as in *Sickneſs, Thunder, Lightning, Plague, Peſtilence, Fire and Water; and from the aſſaults of Thieves and Robbers by Sea and Land*, attempted or intended againſt my body, houſe or goods; and delivered me out of ſo many troubles and vexations as I have fallen into.

O Lord, how am I bound unto thee, that thou haſt lent me many kind Friends, and that I live in ſuch honeſt Reputation among my Neighbours; that I have ſuch liberty of ſeemly Recreation, ſuch quietneſs of Life, ſuch opportunities of Well-doing; and thy Angels by thine appointment, to protect and ſafe-guard me in all my ways.

Theſe things (O Lord) I enjoy though unworthy, by thy goodneſs; whereas there be many that have not found the like favour at thy hands, bleſſed be thy Name therefore: And yet, O Lord, thou haſt been much more gracious unto me, thy ſpiritual Favour, and thy celeſtial Bleſſings exceed all theſe. Therefore, as I am bound, ſo much more I bleſs thee, that thou didſt elect me before all Worlds to Glory; that thou didſt work my Redemption by the blood of Chriſt Jeſus in his bitter Paſſion, that I was born in the Light of the Goſpel, to know thee, and through ſanctification in thee, have had the grace to take upon me the profeſſion

feſſion of the Truth, to abandon all Superſtition and Hereſie, to do good to any, and to do any thing that may do good either publick or private, and in ſome meaſure to keep my ſelf unſpotted from the World.

Oh! what ſhall I give unto my Lord, that hath done ſo great and mighty things for me? O Lord, I give thee thanks that thou haſt given me ſuch an honourable Calling and Vocation of Chriſtianity, and that thou haſt incorporated me a Member of the Church, giving me ſuch a gracious portion of *Faith, Hope, Love, Zeal, Patience, Peace, Joy, the beginnings of Regeneration.*

What am I (O Lord) that thou haſt granted me ſuch things? to receive ſuch profit by the preaching of thy Word, and the priviledge of thy bleſſed Sacrament; to be waſhed with thy blood, to ſit at thy Table, and to feed on thee the everlaſting Bread?

Theſe I thank thee for: and for theſe alſo, even for my part which I have in the Communion of Saints, for the benefit which I have of their Prayers in the Church Militant, the aid of their Counſels, with the pleaſure and comfort of their godly Examples for the bettering of my Life; that thou haſt given me a care to uſe a good Conſcience in dealing in this World, and an earneſt deſire to continue ſo ſtill, yea rather to grow better.

Neither can I forget (O Lord) thy mercy

and patience towards me, that thou haſt granted me ſo long and ſo large a time of Repentance, and haſt vouchſafed me herein to have thy Son Jeſus Chriſt for my Mediator, by whoſe interceſſion my Prayers have acceſs unto thee, and receive their happy Anſwers.

I praiſe thee, I glorifie thee, I worſhip thee, I magnifie thy bleſſed Name, O Lord, by whoſe goodneſs I want nothing fit for a Chriſtian, nor any thing that may fit me for Heaven; where I thank thee for making ſo glorious a proviſion, and ſuch a glorious preparation for my Soul in Heaven, whither I beſeech thee to bring me, O my God, in thy due time, and in the mean time to continue thy goodneſs unto me, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving for the Delivery of the King's Majeſty, and the State of Parliament, from the Gun-Powder-Treaſon, Nov. 5. An. 1605.

Pſal. 30. 12. *For this ſhall every good man ſing of thy praiſe; O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.*

O Almighty God, great in mercy, and wonderful in judgment, who by the inſtinct of Nature, and charge in holy Scripture, haſt taught us, that great Deliverances ought to have perpetual Remembrances; we miſerable Sinners, whoſe corrupt Nature and vile Actions, have deſerved

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extraordinary puniſhments to be made a
ectacle to the World, and to Angels, and
Men, do humbly acknowledge thy love
d long-ſufferance, in delivering us from
any heavy Judgments which might juſtly
ve been brought upon us and our chiefeſt
lights.

O Lord we have heard with our Ears, and
r Fathers have declared unto us what thou
dſt in former times for this Kingdom, and
ation, Prince and People; how thou didſt
feat the force of the Enemies Armies;
d ſubdue open Rebellion, and put by the
ot of Dag, and prevent the ſtab of Dagger,
d overthrow the invincible *Armado*. And
w Lord, for us, the Father to the Child-
n, and old to young, ſhall report how thou
dſt diſcover and diſappoint that woful Tra-
dy, bloody Maſſacre, and remedileſs De-
ruction, which was ready to be brought
on us and our Nation, by thine and our
emies, the Abettors and Worſhippers in
e Church of *Rome*.

O Lord we tremble to think upon it, how
juſtly they intended to take us away be-
e our time, by ſecret conveying of fear-
l Gun-powder covered with Iron, Wood
d Coals, ready to put fire under a dark
ault under the Houſe of Parliament, a
ce of State, againſt a preſent ſitting.

O God, we were without all means to
e-know ſuch a Miſery, and without all

judgment to understand such a Misery, had not thou of thy great love to true Religio and mercy to us, given means to discover to us; Yea, thou in thy power didst mak their own Pens covertly to describe it, an with thy Spirit didst inspire the heart of ou King justly to suspect it, whereby it was re vealed: Thou art our God, and our heart shall be thy habitation, our Fathers God and we will exalt thee.

O Lord, if this had not been, we had bee blown up, we had been smothered, we ha been dismembred, we had been persecuted we had been undone, all and some, fearin thy Name, thy poor Commonalty, the wor thy Gentry, the judicious Lawyer, the re verend Judge, the true Nobility, the learn ed Clergy, and the sacred Council of ou King; yea, our King and his Queen, and a the Royal Progeny, the most honourabl Assembly of Christendom, sitting in the State, for the continuance of thy Truth, an good of the Realm.

Wherefore, good Lord, seeing thou didst bring us to the Grave's mouth, but hast no given us over to Death, we have imprinte in our minds the horror of the Danger, an excited in our Souls due Thankfulness fo the Rescue; and therefore we praise thee we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorif thee; and all condign thanks, honour an power, we ascribe unto thee, for this th

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racious Preſervation. And we beſeech hee, O Lord, ſtill to lend thy helping hand o this Kingdom, and thy aſſiſtance to the oſpel, and ever bleſs the Perſons and Conultations of that high Court with holineſs nd ſafety, that we may enjoy our Lives and ivings, our Religion, our King and Queen, nd their Off-ſpring after them in proſperity, o our Comfort and thy Glory, to whom we offer our ſelves, our ſouls and bodies, to be at thy ſervice for ever and ever, *Amen.*

A Comprehenſive Prayer.

MOſt Glorious and Eternal Lord God, who art of purer eyes than to behold the leaſt iniquity with the leaſt approbation; we thy poor Creatures do confeſs that we are vile and miſerable Sinners; being conceived in ſin; by nature Children of wrath, and Tranſgreſſors from the womb. All we like ſheep have gone aſtray, and turned every one to his own way. Thou madeſt us, not we our ſelves; and bleſſed be thy Holy Name, thou haſt been very gracious to us, giving us many comforts of this life, and the means to bring us to eternal life; but tho' we ſhould have glorified thee with our ſouls and bodies, as being thine; and whatſoever we did ſhould have been done to thy glory, and to pleaſe thee, in the obeying of thy will; yet we have diſpleaſed and diſhonoured thee, and turned from thee; exalting, ſeeking and pleaſing our ſelves.

Thou art the King of all the World; and thy Laws are holy, juſt and good. But we have denied thee our due Subjection and Obedience, being unruly and ſelf-willed, minding the things of the Fleſh, and making proviſion for its luſt: We have ſtaggered at thy Word through unbelief, and have not fully placed our truſt and hope in thee: We have rather feared Man that is duſt, and can but kill the body, than thee, that canſt deſtroy both ſoul and body in Hell. Thou art infinitely good, and Love it ſelf, yet have we not fully taken thee for our portion, nor loved thee with all our hearts, and ſouls, and might, nor made thee our full deſire and delight.

But we have inordinately loved our ſelves, and the World, and the things of the World; and lived by Senſe when we ſhould have lived by Faith; and cared and laboured for the Food that periſheth, when we ſhould have laboured for the one thing needful, and that which endureth to everlaſting Life; we have been ſlothful Servants yielding to Temptation, aſhamed of our Duty, loſing our precious time; when we ſhould have been fervent in Spirit, ſerving the Lord, cleaving to thee with full reſolution, redeeming the time, and with diligence making ſure our Calling and Election. We have not with due Holineſs and Reverence drawn near thee, and uſed thy holy Name, thy Worſhip,

ſhip, and thy Day; We have diſhonoured and diſobeyed our Superiours, and neglected our Inferiours: We have been guilty of not loving our Neighbours as our ſelves, and not doing to others as we would they ſhould do unto us; but have ſought our own againſt their welfare, not forbearing and forgiving, not loving our Enemies as we ought, nor following Peace, nor ſtudying to do good to all, according to our power. We have ſinned ſecretly and openly, in thought, word and deed, ignorantly and preſumptuouſly, in paſſion, and upon deliberation, againſt thy Precepts, Promiſes and Threats; againſt thy Mercies and thy Judgments; under thy patience, and in thy light; againſt our Conſciences, our Purpoſes and our Covenants: When we were haſting to Death and Judgment, for which, through all our lives, we ſhould have prepared. Thou haſt commended thy wonderful Love towards us, in giving thy Son to die for Sinners, to reconcile us to thee, while we were Enemies; and all things being made ready, thou haſt ſent thy Meſſengers to invite us to come in, preaching to us the glad Tidings of Salvation, and freely offering us Pardon, and Life in Jeſus Chriſt; but we have made light of it, and neglected this great Salvation, and made excuſes, or too long delays, undervaluing our Redeemer, his Blood and Merits, his offered Grace, and endleſs Glory,

rejecting his holy Doctrin and Example, resisting his Spirit, Ministers and Word. We have sinned, O Lord, against thee, and against our own Souls, and are not worthy to be called thy Children: We have deserved Everlasting Wrath; to us belongs Confusion, but Mercy and Forgiveness unto thee. Have mercy upon us, O God, according to the multitude of thy mercies; Heal our Souls that have sinned against thee, and enter not into Judgment with thy Servants: Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Cast us not away from thy presence, and avenge not upon us the quarrel of thy Covenant. Wash us in the Blood of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the World. Accept us in thy beloved Son, who was made a Curse for us, and was wounded for our Transgressions. Turn us, O God, of our Salvation, and cause thy face to shine upon us. Give us repentance unto Life, cause us to loath our selves for all the evils that we have committed. Give us that broken contrite Spirit, which thou wilt not despise. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Take out of us the old and strong heart; give us the Spirit of thy Son, and be our God, and let us be thy People. Enlighten our Understandings, to know the wonderful things of thy Law, the dimensions of thy love in Christ, the Mysteries of thy Kingdom, and the

the riches of the glory of thy Inheritance in the Saints, and that we may approve the things that are excellent, and may eſcape the ſnares of the Devil, and may hate every falſe way. Shed abroad thy Love in our hearts by thy holy Spirit, and cauſe us ſo to love thee, that nothing may ſeparate us from thy Love. Put thy fear into our hearts, that nothing may ever part us from thee: Cauſe us to ſeek firſt thy Kingdom, and thy Righteouſneſs, and (as thoſe that are riſen with Chriſt) to ſeek the things that are above, and to lay up a treaſure in Heaven; and let our hearts and converſations be there. Mortifie our earthly inclinations and deſires; crucifie the World to us, and us unto the World, by the Croſs of Chriſt. Cauſe us to live by Faith, and look at the things that are unſeen, and uſe the World as not overuſing it, ſeeing the faſhion of it paſſeth away; ſtriving to enter in at the ſtrait Gate, and running ſo as to obtain; let us no longer live the reſt of our time to the luſt of Men, but to the will of God, ſtudying in all things to pleaſe thee, and to be accepted of thee; Let us not ſeek our own wills, but the will of him that called us! Yea, let us delight to do thy will, O God; let our delight be in thy Law, and let us meditate therein day and night; cauſe us to deny ungodlineſs and worldly luſts, and to live ſoberly and righteouſly, and godly in this preſent World;

as obedient Children, not faſhioning our ſelves to the former luſts of our ignorance; but, as he that hath called us is holy, let us be holy in all manner of Converſation. Cauſe us to love one another with a pure heart, fervently forbearing and forgiving one another, if any have a quarrel againſt any, even as Chriſt forgave us, ſo do ye. Give us the wiſdom which is firſt pure, and then peaceable. In our eyes let a vile perſon be contemned, but let us honour them that fear the Lord. Cauſe us to walk circumſpectly without offence, and to be zealous of good Works, to love our Enemies, and not to give place to Wrath, and in patience to poſſeſs our Souls. Help us to deny our ſelves, and to take up our Croſs and follow Chriſt, eſteeming his reproach to be greater riches than the Treaſures of the World, that having ſuffered with him, we may alſo be glorified with him.

Tho' we muſt be tempted, help us to overcome and be faithful unto the death, and then let us receive that Crown of Life. Abound in goodneſs and mercy to all thy People. Exalt the Throne of thy Son, and pull down the Power of Satan. Bleſs all Chriſtian Kings and Governours, cauſing them to rule in thy Faith, Fear and Love, and to become greater Inſtruments for the good of the World. Support the ſorrowful, and deliver the diſtreſſed. Do for us, ours, and

and the whole *Iſrael* of God, more than we can ask or think, in and through our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, to whom with thee O Father, and thy holy and bleſſed Spirit, be all honour and praiſe, love and ſervice, now and evermore, *Amen.*

A Prayer.

O Eternal and Almighty Lord God, who doſt from thy Throne behold all the Dwellers upon Earth, hating ſin, but not deſiring the death of a Sinner; what are we vile Creatures, ſinful duſt and aſhes, that we ſhould draw near ſo holy a God as thou art? We are a lump of Sin, a maſs of Corruption, a ſeed of evil-doers. We have ſinned againſt thee, O Lord, Oh how wickedly have we done? From the corrupt fountain of our hearts have continually iſſued forth ſuch poyſonous ſtreams as have infected thoſe about us with impurity. We are condemned of our ſelves, having given heed to Vanity and Lies, and walked at a diſtance from thee, and the things of our own peace. We have been convinced of our Duties, and have not done them; of our Sins, and have not left them. Sin and the World hath ſo blinded our judgments, that we have not diſcerned our own good, ſo that we have been willing to be miſerable, and unwilling to be happy. We have not firmly believed thy Goſpel, nor owned Chriſt in all his Offices, nor approached thy preſence with due re-

reverence. We have ſtrayed from thy ways, and followed the devices of our own hearts; we have committed the evil thou condemneſt, and omitted the good which thou haſt commanded; we have deſpiſed thy Counſel, contemned thy Mercy, and turned our backs both upon thy Law and Goſpel; we have ſwelled with Pride, been unprofitable in Converſe, neither been thankful for benefits, nor improved by means or afflictions. All our ſeeming goodneſs, like the Morning-dew, hath ſoon paſſed away; we have not longed for Communion with thee, nor ſtrive as we ought againſt our luſts, nor been ſincere in our performance; nor ſighed for the abomination committed againſt thee. We have no ways ſerved the ends for which thou didſt create, and haſt preſerved us: We have committed Iniquity with a high hand, not fearing thee, but making our faces harder than a Rock, as tho' we would reproach the Lord, and as if we were at an agreement with Hell.

O how juſtly mayeſt thou for all our abominations puniſh us with everlaſting deſtruction from thy preſence! but ſpare us good Lord, according to the greatneſs of thy Mercy, and deal not with us after our Sins. Look upon our Mediator and his Redemption, and in the multitude of thy Mercies waſh away all our ſins with his blood; ſay unto us, Be *of good chear, your ſins are forgiven you*: and O

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give us ſound Repentance that we may recover our Souls out of the ſnare of the Devil. Open thou our eyes, and ſo order our ſteps, that we may walk in the path of thy Commandments.

Let us not from henceforth walk as the Gentiles who are alienated from the Life of God, through the ignorance that is in them, but to put off concerning the old Converſation, the old Man, which is corrupt according to deceitful luſts, and to be renewed in the Spirit of our Minds, putting on the new Man, which after God is created in righteouſneſs and true holineſs. Teach us always to do the things which pleaſe thee, and not to do any thing which may make our hearts to ake. Let our rejoycing be this, even the teſtimony of our Conſciences, that in ſimplicity and godly ſincerity, we have had our converſations in the World. From Pride, Hypocriſie, Malice, Uncharitableneſs, blindneſs of Mind, and contempt of thy Word, good Lord deliver us. Cleanſe us from our ſecret faults, keep back thy Servants alſo from preſumptuous ſins; teach us to live by Faith, to diſ-regard the World, and to be more reſolute againſt Temptations. Keep us by thy power through Faith unto Salvation, and let us do from our hearts what ever thou commandeſt us. Grant us to ſeek thy glory, to be vile in our own eyes, to deny our corrupt inclinations, and

to ſubmit both to what thou appointſt, and to to what thou approveſt. Let our converſation be without covetouſneſs, that we may be content with ſuch things as we have. O grant that we may walk worthy of the Lord unto all well-pleaſing, being *fruitful in every good work*, and increaſing in the knowledge of God; make us quiet and uſeful in the World; doing to others as we would that they ſhould to us: Let us no longer be Lovers of pleaſure, more than Lovers of God. Give us to poſſeſs our Veſſels in Sanctification and Honour, to prepare for Sickneſs, Death and Judgment, to abound in Patience, Meekneſs and Temperance, and to hold on in thy ways unto the end of our days. We Sinners do beſeech thee to hear us, and to write thy Laws in our hearts, and to ſettle us firmly in thy ſervice: Give us true thankfulneſs for all Mercies Spiritual and Temporal, Perſonal and National: And herein we bleſs thee, that when theſe Kingdoms of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, were under great trouble and the Sword, thou didſt not give us over to Famine, Peſtilence, and all kind of Calamity; but didſt quietly bring us to Peace, when thou mighteſt have utterly deſtroy'd us for our ſins: And ſeeing thou haſt pleaſed ſo mercifully and remarkably to reſtore unto us, thy Servants, our Sovereign Lord and Lady King *William* and Queen *Mary*; O write a Law of Thankfulneſs upon their

their hearts, and give them to walk in thy way, to defend thy Faith, and to ſeek thy Glory; bleſs them in this World, and in the World to come: *Be gracious to* KATHERINE *the Queen Dowager,* Anne *Princeſs of* Denmark, *with all the Royal Family; encrich them with thy heavenly Grace, proſper them with all Happineſs, and crown them with endleſs Favours:* Counſel their Majeſties Councellors, make the Judges juſt, honour the Nobility and Gentry with Wiſdom and Vertue; cauſe inferior Magiſtrates to execute good Laws; let the Miniſters of thy Word be faithful Labourers in thy Vineyard; give to the whole Commonalty of this Land, religious hearts towards thee, loyal hearts towards the King and Queen, and loving hearts to one another; and ſo let Grace and Tranquility be continued to us and future Generations. Which Bleſſing, with whatever elſe thou in thy *infinite Wiſdom* knowſt neceſſary for us, we pray thee grant, for the ſake alone of thy only Son our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, in whoſe bleſſed Name and Words we continue praying, as he hath taught us ſaying,

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our Treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into Temptation, but deliver us from Evil: for thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, for ever, Amen.

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The Hymn appointed by the Church to be ſaid or ſung after the holy Communion, turned into ordinary Verſe of the *Pſalms*.

Pſalm xviij.

ALL Glory be to God on high,
And Peace on Earth likewiſe:
Good will towards Men eternally,
By Chriſt his Sacrifice.
O God the Father, heavenly King,
We Praiſe and Worſhip thee;
We glorifie thee, we give Thanks,
O Lord for thy great Glory.
O Lord, Lord, O Jeſus Chriſt,
The Father's only Son,
Only begot, the Wiſdom true,
By whom all things were done.
O Lamb of God that tak'ſt away,
All the Sins of the World,
By guiltleſs Death on Curſed Croſs,
Have Mercy on us Lord.
O thou that tak'ſt away the Sins,
And Errours of the World.
By guiltleſs Death on curſed Croſs,
Have Mercy on us, Lord;
O thou that tak'ſt away the Sins
And Errours of the World,
By guiltleſs Death on curſed Croſs,
Receive our Prayers Lord.
O thou that ſit'ſt on God's right hand,
The Father Eternal,
And doſt our weakneſs underſtand,
Have Mercy on us all:

For thou only deſerv'ſt the Name
Of Iſrael's *Holy One*;
Thou Holy art, thou art the Lord,
Thou, even thou alone:
And thou only O Jeſu Chriſt,
Thou with the Holy Ghoſt,
In Glory of the Father, art,
Moſt high, advanced moſt. Amen.

Short Graces for Thanksgivings for the Table, to be uſed in private Sittings, and publick Meetings, by Children and others.

Before Meat.

ALmighty Lord, who with thy Bleſſing filleſt every Want; and who of thy Bounty feedeſt both Man and Beaſt: Bleſs us, and theſe thy Creatures which thou haſt now appointed to be Food for our ſinful Bodies, that as they are manifeſt tokens of thy Providence towards us, ſo they may be wholeſome Nouriſhments for our Weakneſs, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

After Meat,

ALmighty God, which haſt mercifully heard our Prayers, and at this preſent liberally fed us, we give thee humble thanks for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee ſo to direct us from henceforth with thy Grace, that after this Life we may be Partakers of thy heavenly Table, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Before

Before Meat.

ALmighty God, on whom all eyes attend, and receive what is fit for them, in due ſeaſon, we beſeech thee to bleſs these things which thou haſt now given unto us for Meat; and let the Dew of thy Grace ſtrengthen them for our Nouriſhment; thy Mercy pardon our Sins, and thy holy Hand defend us from all Evil, this time and for evermore, *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Lord God, which haſt now given us power to eat of the fruit of our labours, and plentifully filled us with thy hidden Treaſure, receive our Thanks, and grant us that ſacred Hunger and Thirſt after Righteouſneſs. Give us the peace of a good Conſcience, a true Faith, charitable Minds, and Love unfeigned one towards another, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our Lord, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

O Heavenly Father, without whoſe Mercy the moſt Provident hath not a morſel of Bread, and of whoſe goodneſs cometh the Royal Banquet of *Darius*, and all other Abundance; we confeſs that thou haſt here given us more than we can deſerve, & we *beſeech* thee to remove from us *all* abuſe of thy *Gifts*, that our hearts and minds being *ſanctified* to *Moderation* and *Sobriety*, we may only eat to live, and living, labour to attain the Bread of Life, for the ſuſtentation and ſalvation of our Souls, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen*

After

After Meat.

O Heavenly Father, tho' we eat and drink, yet our Life ſtandeth not in that abundance: We bleſs thy holy Name for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee to bleſs every one of us in our ſeveral Vocations, to knit our hearts unto thee, that we may fear thy Name; to remove thy Judgments which we have deſerved, and at laſt to give us Life everlaſting, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

Before Meat.

O Lord Jeſus, who for the comfort and relief of the Company at *Cana* in *Galilee*, didſt not only adorn it with thy gracious Preſence, but alſo turnedſt Water into Wine: Be preſent, we beſeech thee, among us here; bleſs our Meats and Drinks, which are the Gifts of thy Liberality, that we uſing them with Moderation and Thankſgiving, they may become wholeſome Nouriſhments to our mortal Bodies. *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Lord Jeſus, the Celeſtial Bridegroom of the Univerſal Church, bleſſed be thy Name for this our Friendly Meeting, and all other Comforts both of our Bodies and Souls: Bleſs teis Day's Work, thy holy Ordinance in thy Servants, forgive us all our Sins; and make us thankful for thy Benefits, and hopeful of thy Mercies, and fearful of thy Judgments this day and evermore. *Amen.*

Before

Before Meat.

O Gracious God, which didſt multiply the ſmall proviſion of the poor Widdow at *Sarepta*, and madeſt wholeſome the dangerous Meat of thy Children at *Gilgal*, mercifully ſupply all our Wants, increaſe and bleſs our Store, and grant us thy Grace all the days of our life, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

After Meat.

O Gracious God, who only art able, as to make a great Harveſt of few Grains, ſo a great Feaſt of few Loaves! We give thee thanks that thou haſt thus ſatisfied us with ſo ſmall proviſion, beſeeching thee to continue thy powerful aſſiſtance to us; that in this life we may always have a competent ſtay for our Bodies, and in the life to come, a permanent Kingdom for body and ſoul, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

Before Meat.

THe Bread of Life, the Staff of Bread,
God grants us all that daily need,
The Staff of Bread to hold this Life,
The Bread of Life our Souls to feed.
The Bread of Life is Chriſt our Lord;
The Lamb of God, the Spring of Good,
The Staff of Bread Chriſt doth afford,
By putting ſtrength into our Food;
O bleſſed Bread, dear God, Life's Lord,
Bleſs all that's at, and on this Board.

After

After Meat.

GOD gave Elias *Meat at first,*
And Israel *Manna in Desert wild,*
The People that did follow Christ,
His Miracle in Mercy fill'd.
And when we want, we seek and find,
And what we have increased more,
Our Meet sufficing to our mind,
Where God doth give and bless the store.
Blessed be God that hath our hunger staid,
And given us every one our daily Bread.

Before Meat,

AS did Elias *weary in his way,*
And Christ our Lord, so oft as he did eat;
So let us ask of God, desire and pray,
To guide our hearts and ways, and bless our meat. Amen.

After Meat.

GOD that Elias *by the Raven fed,*
And nourisht Daniel *in the Lyon's Den;*
And fill'd thousands with five loaves of bread,
And us hath satisfied, be praised, Amen.

A Supplication of the Author for all.

O Eternal Majesty, *a* unto whom all Flesh shall come, which seest that *b* we know not what to pray for as we ought, yet hast *c* accepted these my weak and worthiless Meditations, to conceive and bring forth these continual *d*

a Isa. 65, 23.
b Reg. 8. 28.
c Psal. 19, 24.
d 1 Thes. 5.

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Supplications and Prayers, and Thanſgivings, *e* bleſſed be thy Name, *f* Glory be to thee, and *g* thanks for thine unſpeakable Gift: And I humbly beſeech thee, when any of thy dear Saints ſhall *h* bow their *i* knees to thy Majeſty, *k* lifting up their hands toward the holy Oracle, and *l* opening their mouths to beg thy favour, then O thou *m* God of Glory, *n* the Father of Mercies, *o* Hear thou in Heaven thy Dwelling-place, and do according to all that they ſhall call unto thee for, and let the *p* Angel of thy Covenant, thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, *q* offer the holy Incenſe with their Prayers before thee, *r* O thou Preſerver of Men, and the holy Ghoſt thy Spirit, *ſ* help their Infirmities in their Prayers, and make Interceſſion for them O Lord *t* grant Peace unto *Iſrael*, *v* ſend help unto *Jacob*, *x* hear theſe Prayers and Supplications, *O Lord my God*, Amen *and* Amen.

e John 1.
f Prov. 11.
g 1 Cor. 9. 15.
h Col. 1. 2.
i Eph. 3. 14.
k Pſal. 1. 8.
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m Acts 1. 3.
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p Mal. 3. 1.
q Apoc. 3.
r Job 7.
ſ Rom. 8.
t Pſal. 15. 5.
v Pſal. 114.
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